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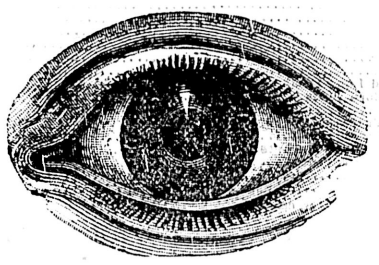

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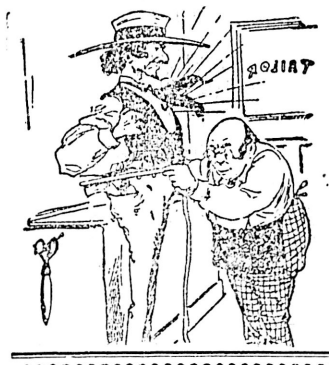

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WANT MORE PAY.

Toronto Letter-Carriers Feel the Pinch of Small Pay.

Toronto, Jan. 25—(Special)—The letter-carriers of Toronto are framing a petition asking an increase of 20 per cent. in wages. They make reference in the petition to the increased cost of living and higher rent since the present rate of wages was fixed, 26 years ago.

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The Scene In the Lords

With Voice Broken by Emotion the Premier Speaks of the Queen.

Victoria Had Governed Her People by Esteem and Love.

Liberal Leader and Archbishop of Canterbury Second the Address.

London, Jan. 25.—In both houses of parliament to-day the galleries were filled with notable gatherings of peeresses and diplomats. In the House of Lords, Lord Salisbury moved the reply to the King's speech, in a speech full of emotion. He said that, in performing the saddest duty that had ever befallen him, he was only echoing the sorrow, deeper than he had ever seen, of the nation, which had been called forth by the singular loss, under the dispensation of Providence, they had suffered, and their admiration of the glorious reign and splendid character of the sovereign they had lost.

Being a constitutional monarch, with restricted powers, she had reigned by sheer force of character, by the loveableness of her disposition, and by her hold on the hearts of her subjects. The example which she set of governing by esteem and love would never be forgotten, nor how much she had assisted in the elevation of her people by their simple contemplation of her brilliant qualities as wife, mother and woman. Her wonderful powers of observing with absolute strictness, the limits of her powers as a constitutional sovereign, at the same time maintaining steady and persistent influence on the actions of her ministers, inspired the greatest admiration. She always maintained a rigorous supervision over public affairs, giving her ministers the benefit of her advice, and warning them of dangers. No minister could disregard her views or press her to disregard them without feeling that he had incurred a great danger. She had brought the country peacefully through a great period. She possessed extraordinary knowledge of what people would think. He had always said that when he knew what the Queen thought, he knew for a certainty what her subjects would think, especially the middle classes.

The King came to the throne with the one great advantage of having before him the greatest example possible. He had been familiar for a generation with political and social life. He enjoyed enormous popularity, and was almost as much beloved in foreign courts and countries. Congratulations could be tendered him with earnest sincerity in the belief that he will adorn the throne and be no unworthy successor of the Queen.

Lord Kimberley, the Liberal leader in the House of Lords, and the Archbishop of Canterbury seconded the address.

Lord Kimberley said he desired to echo every word of the noble Marquis. His access to the sovereign dated back to an even earlier period than the Marquis. He had always been struck with the extraordinary consideration and kindness which marked Her Majesty's conduct towards all who came in contact with her. He was simply amazed at the sound, real knowledge she possessed of all important affairs.

The Archbishop of Canterbury said the Queen's influence as a truly religious woman was far greater than anything exercised by the wisest statesman or cleverest administrator.

The House then adjourned.

The Imperial German yacht Hohenzollern, escorted by the third-class cruiser Nymphe, was signalled during the afternoon at Dover. The yacht will come to Cowes, and the cruiser will proceed to Portsmouth.

The Marquis of Lansdowne, secretary of state for foreign affairs, came to Osborne to-day, by special command of the King. He will be presented to Emperor William.

IN CATHOLIC CHURCHES.

London, Jan. 26.—Cardinal Vaughan, in the course of a very sympathetic letter to be read in the Catholic churches in London, pays an eloquent tribute to Queen Victoria.

The Morning Leader says that the executors of Queen Victoria's will are Princess Beatrice, the Duke of Connaught and Lieut.-Col. Sir Fleetwood Isham Edwards, who was keeper of Her Majesty's privy purse from 1895, and extra equerry to the Queen from 1889.

AN IMPOSING PROCESSION.

It is virtually settled that there will be an imposing funeral procession through London, headed by the King, Emperor William and Lord Roberts. The route will be nearly the same as that of Lord Roberts' triumphal entry, but reversed.

Mr. William St. John Broderick, secretary of state for war, and Lord Roberts will go to Osborne to-day, to settle the military programme of the procession and the funeral proceedure at Windsor.

A DAY OF MOURNING.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—(Special)—A proclamation was issued to-night setting apart Saturday, February 2 as a day of general mourning, to be observed by all persons throughout the Dominion of Canada.

The Gazette also contains an order of the Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marshal, ordering mourning to commence on the 28th inst.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.

Kingston, Ont., Jan. 25.—(Special)—Queen's University council trustees met last night in the Senate room. Principal Grant presided. It was decided the college would hold memorial services on Saturday evening, February 2. All four faculties will unite in holding most impressive services. A committee was appointed to prepare appropriate resolutions of condolence, to be written in Latin, engrossed and sent to King Edward VII.

ATTACK KITCHENER.

Pretoria, Jan. 24.—Yesterday a train with Lord Kitchener and a body of troops, proceeded toward Middelburg, an armored pilot engine, preceding. It was derailed by dynamite near Balmoral. The Boers, who were in force, opened fire, and the British replied heavily. Ultimately the Boers were driven off. The British sustained no casualties.

NOMINATED.

East York Conservatives Choose a Candidate For Provincial Honors.

Toronto, Jan. 25—(Special)—East York Conservatives to-day nominated Henry Duncan, reeve of York township, as candidate for the riding in the provincial elections. Conservative speakers express confidence in winning the seat at the next election.

Meets With General Favor

Proposal to Make Twenty-Fourth of May a Perpetual Holiday.

Government Will Introduce Bill Giving Effect to Mr. Macdonald's Idea.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 25.—The proposal to make May 24 a permanent holiday meets with favor from all parts of Canada. Credit is given to Senator Macdonald, of Victoria, as the father of the idea. The government will introduce a bill to give effect to the proposal at the coming session.

The Canada Gazette to-morrow will contain the text of an official proclamation announcing the accession of King Edward VII. This proclamation was received from the colonial office to-day. It corrects certain clerical errors which appear in the proclamation issued here on Wednesday, and gives the King his full title, including that of Emperor of India.

It is understood that Col. Foster, quartermaster-general, will become commandant of the Royal Military College, and that Col. Otter will succeed Foster as quartermaster-general.

A telegram from Lord Strathcona states that he has received the following personal message from the King, in reply to one sent by the High Commissioner: "I am much touched by your kind telegram of sympathy, and I ask you to kindly convey to the inhabitants of the Dominion my warm thanks."

Mr. Maxwell left for home to-day.

ARMY AND NAVY.

United States House Talks on Appropriations for Sea and Land Forces.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The house to-day adopted the conference report on the army re-organization bill. The contest over it was brief. Mr. Hull, chairman of the military affairs committee, prevented prolonged debate. The debate was chiefly notable for a sharp exchange between Mr. Richardson, the minority leader, and Mr. Hay, Democrat, Virginia, a member of the conference committee, who reproached the Democratic leader for not making a fight for a temporary army when the bill was originally before the house. The naval appropriation bill was finally passed to-day.

THE FRENCH SHORE TROUBLE

Newfoundland Premier Goes to London to Attend Conference.

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 25.—Mr. Bond, the premier, will leave for England to-morrow to take part in the projected international conference on the French shore question.

The colonial legislature will meet on February 14, to renew the modus vivendi for the current year.

STABBING AT LADYSMITH.

Jap Arrested for Seriously Cutting a Fellow-Countryman.

Nanaimo, Jan. 25.—(Special)—A serious stabbing affair amongst Japanese took place at Ladysmith to-day. Oogama was severely injured by a knife in the hands of Kainadau, another Jap, who was arrested and will be tried to-morrow.

William Miller, of Everett, Wash., is in town, investigating the feasibility of starting a steam laundry. The city council, it is believed, are ready to bonus an enterprise which is badly needed here.

Ralph Smith left for Ottawa this morning. He will assist the Dominion labor bureau with advice, and in the arrangement of details touching on labor in the West, until parliament opens.

At the annual meeting of the First Baptist church last night, the reports showed it to be in a more flourishing condition than at any time previously, financially and otherwise. In three years the membership has more than doubled. Rev. Mr. McEwen, superintendent of missions, delivered an address.

A Last Farewell

Nevermore Shall the Dead Queen be Seen by Human Eye.

By the King's Command the Coffin Lid is Finally Closed,

Soldiers With Arms Reversed Keep Silent Guard in the Chapel.

Cowes, Isle of Wight, Jan. 26.—(12:45 a. m.)—With a pathos and solemnity which seldom mark the passing from daylight into darkness of the coffin, the royal family yesterday took their last loving look at the features of the dead Queen.

About 10 o'clock in the morning the shell was brought into the bedroom, where were waiting King Edward, Emperor William, the Duke of Connaught, Sir James Reid, and the royal ladies. The latter having retired, Sir James Reid, with reverent hands, assisted by three trusted household servants, and in the presence of the King, the Emperor and the Duke, removed the body from the bed to the coffin. In death it was lovelier than in the closing days of life. Not a trace of ravages of disease was visible. The servants having retired, Queen Alexandra, the Princess and the children were recalled, and with lingering steps and stifled sobs they passed slowly before the white-robed and peaceful figure.

At the foot, never moving, stood the King, and when the mourning crowd passed there remained only the son and grandson of the Queen. Emperor William wept even more bitterly than the royal ladies. Finally he also retired, and the King was left alone. Sir James Reid, beckoning to the servants with the coffin lid, asked the King's instructions.

For a few seconds the King stood speechless, stricken with emotion at the last farewell. Then he said, quickly: "Close it quickly; it must not be opened again."

Thus the remains of Britain's greatest ruler were forever closed from human view.

Reverently the coffin was borne into the dining room. Officers and men from the royal yacht took their stand around the coffin, over which the King, Queen and Kaiser gently laid the robes of a Knight of the Garter, placing at the head a diamond crown. Beneath lay the Royal Ensign, while hanging above was the Union Jack. At the altar was the Rector of Whippingham, who read a portion of the funeral service in the presence of the royal family.

After the benediction, each placed a wreath upon the coffin, and all retired.

A correspondent of the Associated Press is informed that the Queen's will has not been opened, and, according to present arrangements, it will not be opened until after the funeral, its details being unknown to the royal family.

A significant feature of all the death-bed scenes has been the absolute naturalness and absence of false or dramatic elements on the part of the King and Emperor William.

According to a rumor circulated at Osborne, King Edward desired himself to be styled "His Imperial Majesty," in order to emphasize the fact that he is Emperor as well as King.

To-day (Saturday) the local volunteers and the forces in the vicinity will pass through the chapelle ardente. After these will pass the correspondents of the leading papers of the world.

A very remarkable feature of all the proceedings is the intense martial air which pervaded them.

The naval parade off Spithead is to be the greatest, if possible, the world ever saw; and the military arrangements at Windsor will eclipse anything of the kind ever attempted. To-night Grenadiers mounted their silent guard over the coffin, with guns reversed, arms crossed and heads bent. The silence is unbroken save by an occasional shuffle of the soldiers in changing their uneasy positions.

TORONTO SICKLY.

Deaths From Pulmonary Diseases and Diphtheria Greatly Increase.

Toronto, Jan. 25—(Special)—Some idea of the ravages of grippe in the city during the last few weeks may be gathered from the fact that already this month 60 deaths from acute pulmonary diseases have been reported at the city hall. The total number of deaths reported up to this evening was 278, and during the whole of last January the number was only 265. In 1900 the deaths from pulmonary diseases numbered 23 for the month of January. If the present rate holds, the deaths from similar causes this month will be three times as great as during the same month last year. Deaths from diphtheria numbered 10 last January. This month to date the number reported is 16.

EXTRA SESSION.

United States Congress May Be Obliged to Hold One.

Washington, Jan. 25—The brief recommendation in the message of the President sent to the Senate to-day, urging immediate legislation in the interest of the Filipinos, caused general surprise among senators, and occasioned speculation upon the probability of an extra session of congress immediately after March 4. Senators generally say they have had no intimation from the White House that a special session of the entire congress may be desirable, but they unite as one man in saying that no Philippine legislation is possible during the remaining five weeks of the present session.

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Parliament And the King

Both Houses Pass Resolutions of Condolence and Loyalty to the Throne.

Emperor of Germany Shows Keen Sympathy With the British Nation.

London, Jan. 25.—Both houses of parliament this afternoon received identical messages from the King, and voted condolence with His Majesty on his bereavement, and congratulations on his accession to the throne. The lord chancellor, Lord Halsbury, and the Speaker, William Court Gully, read the messages in their respective houses. It follows:

"Lord Rex.—The King is fully aware that the House of Commons will share the deep sorrow which has bereaved His Majesty and the nation by the lamentable death of his mother, the queen. Her devotion to the welfare of her country and her people, and her beneficent rule during the many years of her glorious reign, will be held in affectionate memory by loyal and devoted subjects of the dominion of the British empire."

Numbers of royalties and representatives of foreign nations are coming over for the funeral ceremonies. Royal palaces will be quite inadequate to accommodate them, and hotels and great residences in London are being secured.

Cowes, Jan. 25.—The body of Queen Victoria was removed to-day to the chapel in the dining room, by bluejackets from the royal yacht. The only persons who will be allowed to view the remains to-day will be those whose names appear on the official visiting list, officers of the royal navy, and a few prominent residents of the island.

The Marquis of Lansdowne, secretary of state for foreign affairs; Field Marshal Earl Roberts, commander-in-chief of the forces; and Mr. William St. John Broderick, secretary of state for war, will be among those who will view Her Majesty's remains.

It has been decided that there will be no public lying in state.

The arrangements for the funeral are gradually evolving. The remains of the Queen will be taken to Portsmouth on board the royal yacht Albert, and will remain on the boat on Friday night, February 1.

The Grand Duke of Baden has given notice of his intention of attending the funeral.

Berlin, Jan. 25.—The Navy Gazette publishes a general order in which Emperor William expresses his sympathy for the "sister navy of Great Britain, to which the German navy is bound by oft-tried comradeship." His Majesty directs that officers and officials of the navy shall wear mourning bands upon their left arms for a fortnight, and that the ships' flags shall be flown at half-mast until after the funeral. His Majesty also directs the German navy to observe the same ceremonial upon the day of the Queen's obsequies as observed by the British navy.

Constantinople, Jan. 25.—The text of the Sultan's telegram to King Edward VII., expressing sympathy at the King's loss, is as follows:

"I have received with deep regret the news of the death of Her August Majesty the Queen, the mother of Your Majesty. Profoundly moved by this mourning event, I hasten to express to Your Majesty my most sincere condolences."

The Sultan has telegraphed to Emperor William and to Empress Frederick similar expressions of sympathy.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The following is the text of the reply which the President received from King Edward VII. in answer to his message of condolence on the death of the Queen:

"Osborne, Jan. 24.—The President, White House: I am most grateful for your kind sympathy in the irreparable loss which the nation and I have sustained. I felt convinced that it would be shared by you and the American people."

NO USE.

Alien Labor Law Fails to Keep Out Workmen's Competitors.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Alien Labor Law Officer Williams, who is investigating charges against Toronto firms for alleged importations of labor from the United States, says the law only applies to naturalized citizens of the United States. A number of firms have imported Hebrews from New York who were unnaturalized, and consequently the law doesn't reach them.

ANOTHER FIRE.

Montreal Cold Storage Buildings Destroyed—The Loss Large.

Montreal, Jan. 25.—Montreal was visited by another disastrous fire at an early hour this morning, resulting in the total destruction of the Montreal Cold Storage Co.'s buildings, occupied by D. A. MacPherson & Co., wholesale cheese merchants, and N. Pitt and T. Johnston, provisions. The loss is about $200,000. The stock of Hodgson Bros., cheese merchants, in the building adjoining, was damaged by smoke and water. The stock of Skelton Bros. & Co., shirt manufacturers, in the building on the west side, was also damaged.

INDIAN WAR THREATENED.

Non-Treaty Choctaw Snakes Plan to Destroy Railways in Indian Territory.

South McAllister, I. T., Jan. 24.—Scouts sent out from this city have returned with reports that the rumored Indian rising is quite a serious affair. A number of disaffected Choctaws have joined with some Creek Snakes, and, under the name of Choctaw Snakes, threaten to destroy the railway bridges and section houses in the Indian Territory. These Indians are outside of the treaty, and have long had a grievance against the government, whom, they allege, have failed to grant their just demands. They are opposed to treaty Indians leasing lands to whites, and declare that they will punish those Indians who lease their lands, by flogging them for the first offence, cutting of their ears for the second, and put them to death for the third.

It is reported from Muskogee, I. T., that the town of Bristow is surrounded by 600 armed Indians, and soldiers are being hurried from Fort Reno to the relief of the town. The leader of the revolt is a bad Indian, named Crazy Snake. Governor Duke, the Choctaw, makes light of the affair, expressing the opinion that the malcontents are few in number, and easily dealt with. Meantime the territorial and federal authorities are taking vigorous steps to quell the uprising.

SMALL FIGHTS.

Kitchener Reports a Few Little Scraps With the Boers.

London, Jan. 25.—A despatch received at the war office from Gen. Kitchener, dated Pretoria, January 24, mentions unimportant contacts with Delarey's and Hasbroeck's commands. A score of Boers have been captured, and Gen. Methuen has cleared Griqualand and Kuruman. The invaders have done little harm in Cape Colony. They have not been joined by the inhabitants, with whom they are daily becoming more unpopular.

Capetown, Jan. 25.—Assemblyman Totter and his son have been arrested and jailed at Ultonhague, charged with aiding the Boers. It is alleged that dynamite was found in Totter's house.

CUBAN CONSTITUTION.

Question of Dividing the Districts Left the Provinces.

Havana, Jan. 25.—The Cuban constitutional convention decided to-day to leave the question of dividing and naming the provinces to the provincial governments themselves, subject to the approval by the States. The second section of the draft constitution was accepted, after a few minor changes. An article was added directing that citizens who remained out of the country for five years should lose their citizenship, provided they were not in the employ of the government.

BISHOP BOND ILL.

Aged Clergyman Lying Seriously Sick in Montreal.

Montreal, Jan. 25.—(Special)—The Anglican Bishop of Montreal is lying seriously ill at his residence, Bishop's Court, Union avenue, and as a result will not be able to take part in the solemn memorial services in memory of Queen Victoria, which are to be held in St. George's church on Sunday, here. His Lordship, who is now in the 86th year of his age, was consecrated bishop of Montreal in St. George's church, just twenty-two years ago to-day.

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IN MEMORIAM.

Lamented and beloved Queen,
Dear to all thou hast ever been;
A nation mourns thy loss today,
No more we own thy gentle sway.

Death has now claimed thee for his own;
Thy crown and seeptre are laid down;
With patience thou did'st bear thy cross;
Thine is the gain, but ours the loss.

Wearied with cares and earthly strife,
And gladly yielding up thy life
To Him who knoweth what is best,
For ever in His arms to rest.

Beautiful thy life; and virtues rare;
Though oft bowed down with grief and care
Thy people's hearts have ached with thine
And wept with thee at sorrow's shrine.

Friend to all in palace or cot,
No suffering one by thee forgot.
With woman's sympathy to bless
And ev'ry generous wrong redress.

Millions have never seen thy face,
But all have felt thy bounteous grace,
In every land from shore to shore,
Thy memory lives for evermore.

God Save the Queen, no more we'll sing,
Thy son is monarch and our king;
May all thy virtues his crown adorn,
But Victoria, we still must mourn.

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FIRED AT THE SPANISH QUEEN

An Unsuccessful Attempt to Shoot Her While Boating Yesterday.

London, Jan. 26.—"While the Queen Regent and her children were boating in the royal park, on the outskirts of Madrid, to-day," says the Madrid correspondent of the Daily Express, "a shot was fired from the bank and penetrated the gunwale of the boat. The park was searched, but the assailant was not discovered. The Queen Regent was considerably alarmed."

LACROSSE FOR AUSTRALIA.

Another Attempt Being Made to Send a Team From Canada.

Vancouver, Jan. 25.—(Special)—Word has been received from Australia that three colonies have absolutely guaranteed £200 each towards the expenses of a Canadian lacrosse team's tour through New South Wales, Victoria and South Australia. They make no stipulation as to where the team shall come from nor their record; they simply ask for a first-class lacrosse team, and a number of lacrosse enthusiasts here, being convinced that it is impossible to arouse enthusiasm in the East in the projected Canadian lacrosse team tour in the Antipodes, have decided to call meetings in Victoria, New Westminster and Vancouver, with a view of devising means to raise a sufficient amount, which in conjunction with the sum guaranteed in Australia, will be ample to finance the project. At present the proposition is to ask the provincial government to appropriate $1,000. The promoters claim that, aside from the pride British Columbia would take in showing Australia how Canada's national game should be played, it would be an excellent advertisement for Canada in general and the Canadian Pacific Coast in particular. The civic councils of Victoria, Vancouver and New Westminster will likely be asked to supplement the province's contribution by a gift of $250 each. It is proposed to raise an additional $1,000 in the three cities by popular subscription, and $500 or $1,000 more by three concerts in the three different cities. The amount desired to be raised is $3,000, making a guarantee of $6,000 in all towards the expenses of the trip.

The residence of Mr. George Wilkie was entered by robbers last night and a gold watch and quantity of jewellery and money taken.

QUEEN WILHELMINA.

Banns For Her Marriage to Be Published on Sunday.

The Hague, Jan. 25.—An official of the ministry of justice at 11 o'clock this morning delivered at the town hall a formal deed, signed by Queen Wilhelmina and Duke Henry of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, declaring their desire to be united in matrimony. Flags were immediately hoisted on the town hall, churches and other buildings. The royal banns will be read on Sunday, January 27, for the first time.

GREAT BANKER DEAD.

Baron Wilhelm von Rothschild, Head of the Frankfort House.

Frankfort, Jan. 27.—Baron Wilhelm von Rothschild, head of the banking firm of that name, died at noon to-day. He was 73 years of age and head of the Frankfort house of the Rothschilds for 50 years. He was an uncle of the three members of the London house, and handled many of the large German government loans.

KRUGER'S EYES.

Operation in Utrecht Seems to Be Successful.

Utrecht, Jan. 25.—Mr. Kruger's eyes, which were operated upon yesterday, are progressing favorably.

PERSONALS.

Mrs. Dunleavy and daughter returned from the Mainland last eevning.

G. M. Leishman was a passenger from Vancouver yesterday.

J. A. Thomson, inspector of steamboats, was a passenger last evening from Vancouver.

Capt. Pybus, of the Empress of Japan, was a passenger from the Mainland yesterday.

Dr. H. McCulloch and other members of the Seattle Y. M. C. A. handball team came over on the Rosalie yesterday.

S. Perry Mills was a passenger on the Rosalie from the Sound yesterday.

Capt. Clive Phillipps Wooley has returned from Paso Robles, Cal. He came over from the Sound on the Rosalie yesterday.

W. P. Bird, travelling auditor of the Northern Pacific railway, was a passenger from the Sound on the Rosalie yesterday.

Charles Wurtele, general agent of the Great Northern Railway Co., returned on the Rosalie from a flying visit to Seattle.

J. A. Seyward and wife left on the Rosalie yesterday evening en route to California.

M. Lenz left for Seattle yesterday evening, going over on the Rosalie.

Amongst those leaving on the Rosalie yesterday evening for the Sound were Dr. McCulloch and party, W. H. Cole and W. M. Tower, G. W. Scobil and wife and F. H. Scovil and W. G. Ronald.

J. G. Mather, of Cariboo, is registered at the Driard.

W. Pellew Harvey, of Vancouver, returned from the Mount Sicker mines yesterday and is registered at the Driard.

THE USEFUL TELEPHONE.

From Baltimore Sun.

Two young ladies on St. Paul street went to the theatre the other evening, and their father, thinking they had a latch-key, went to bed at his usual hour, and the servants all left. When the ladies returned they rang the bell repeatedly and beat on the door, but got no answer. Finally they began to despair, when a neighbor, who had been awakened by the din, appeared in white at his window opposite and asked what was the matter.

"We are locked out and cannot awake papa," came the reply in duet.

"Wait a minute," said the quick-witted man on the other side of the street; "your father has a telephone in his room, and I will call him up." So the central was called.

"Give me number ——," said the neighbor.

As soon as the bell sounded in the room of the sleeping father, he woke with a start and ran to the telephone.

"Hello, what is the matter?"

"Is that you, so and so?"

"Yes; what is wanted?"

"Your daughters are at the front door trying to get in. Open the door. Good-night."

DIED.

MORRISON—On the 24th inst., at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Dempster, No. 49 Fernwood road, Elizabeth Morrison, aged 86 years and 4 months, a native of Stornoway, Scotland, and relict of the late Malcolm Morrison.

The funeral will take place on Monday, the 28th inst., at 2 p.m., from above residence.

Friends will please accept this intimation.

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Owing to the death of our beloved Queen the Manual Training School will be open to the public from 10 to 12 a.m. on Saturday, the 9th of February, instead of Saturday the 28th of January.

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Victoria, B. C., Jan. 25, 1901.

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Eighth Annual Drawing

The following are the numbers of the debentures drawn for repayment at par on and after the 15th day of February next.

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Fifty debenture numbers:

6	68	105	144	180	220	295	367	404	462
9	72	109	147	196	255	320	374	405	466
14	78	111	150	209	284	324	382	421	467
31	93	117	161	213	288	341	386	429	468
58	94	125	168	215	294	353	390	452	493

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The above mentioned debentures will be paid on and after the 15th day of February next, on presentation of the debentures at the Canadian Bank of Commerce, amalgamated with the Bank of British Columbia, at Victoria, B. C.

For the Canadian Pacific Navigation Co., Limited.

F. W. VINCENT,
Secretary.

(Countersigned)
W. H. LANGLEY,
Victoria, B. C.
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River Steamers Change Hands

White Pass Co. Said to Have Purchased C. P. R. Steamers.

Castle Rock Sights Wreckage Off the Coast—South Pacific Derilect.

The report published a few evenings ago that the C. P. R. had purchased the White Pass & Yukon railway and the Canadian Development Co.'s steamers, arose, it is understood, out of the negotiations that are under way for the purchase by the White Pass company of the five river steamers built by the C. P. R. for service on the Stikine during the Klondike rush of 1897. These steamers are the Ogilvie, McConnell and Hamlin, which are still at Wrangel; the Dawson, on the ways at Vancouver, which, although completed, has never been launched; and the Walsh, which has been lying in the Fraser river since the failure of the Stikine route to the Yukon. It is understood to be the intention of the White Pass company to take all the steamers to Skagway and there take them to pieces and transport the machinery and fittings to White Horse, where new hulls suitable for the work required of them will be built. The steamers were built by the C. P. R. to take heavy loads up a fast-running stream, whereas on the Yukon the steamers are required to take heavy loads down stream, and must not draw as much water. This building of new hulls is therefore necessary, but a great deal of the material in the present hulls can be used. The purchase of the five steamers would give the White Pass company fifteen steamers on the Yukon, and would to a great extent do away with the necessity of running scows on the river. It is also reported that Mr. Alex. Watson, of this city, has been engaged to draw the plans for the new hulls and superintend the construction of them. He has been the most successful builder of river steamers on the Coast for many years.

REPORTS MORE WRECKAGE.

Bark Castle Rock Reports More Evidences of Disaster—A Long Drift.

The British ship Castle Rock, Capt. Jones, which arrived at 10:30 o'clock yesterday, being towed in from Carmanah, where as told yesterday she was reported Thursday night, did not remain long in the Royal Roads. Her charter to carry ore has fallen through, and the vessel is to load wheat at Tacoma, for which port she sailed at noon yesterday. Contrary to the expectation of many, in view of the long passage of the vessel, there was not a spar out of place, and not a sail torn. The weather being contrary was alone to blame for the delayed passage and the chance for the speculators.

Capt. Jones was not a bit surprised to hear that his vessel was on the overdue market; in fact he had expected that, and found pastime in surmising how high the rate would reach. He left Hongkong late in October, at the time of the northeast monsoons, and was a long while in getting through the China Sea. In mid-November the heavy typhoons which caused such great damage and so much loss of life at Hongkong and in Indo-China, were encountered, but no damage was done the vessel. Up to reaching 150 W. the wind was continually adverse, and progress was necessarily slow. Gale followed gale, and as the vessel could not carry enough canvas to go to windward, she often drifted back instead of making progress. Over half of her passage was therefore spent in getting out of the stormy China waters, and the run across the ocean, after she had cleared the China Sea, was not such a long one.

Capt. Jones brings news of more wreckage off the coast. When the Castle Rock was about 50 miles off Cape Beale, he sighted the topmast and crosstrees of some sailing vessel, which looked as if it had come from a vessel of medium size, and had evidently been in the water for some time. There was quite a lot of tackle and gear attached to the floating wreckage, and from the appearance, Capt. Jones gathered that it had come from some American sailing ship, although he could not say with any positiveness that the tackle was of American origin.

On reaching this port, Capt. Jones received letters telling him of the safety of a sister liner, which had long been on the overdue market, and as much as 90 per cent. had been paid on her. This vessel, the Beacon Rock, sailed from Port Pirie on October 3 for Wellington, a voyage that should not occupy much more than a fortnight. Months passed and still there was no sign of the ship; she had all but been given up as lost, when news was received by her owners that she had reached Tecuhuana, Chili, having drifted right across the Southern Pacific. The Beacon Rock had encountered storms and had lost some of her canvas, making it difficult to run to windward, and there was nothing for it, when she got past the New Zealand port, but to let her drift until she brought up on the Chilian coast. She was in ballast, and it is understood a charter was obtained for her in Chili.

CAPSIZED VESSEL.

Schooner Defiance on Voyage From Here to Sydney Sights a Derelict.

The four-masted schooner Defiance, under command of Capt. Blumm, which took a cargo of lumber from British Columbia to Sydney, reported on her arrival, shortly before the sailing of R. M. S. Aorangi, having passed a derelict about 70 miles off Norfolk island. The schooner carried light winds across, and was 67 days making the passage. When to the southwest of Norfolk island about 70 miles—to be exact, in 34 S., 166.25 E.—she sighted a derelict vessel, which Capt. Blumm took to be from 200 to 300 tons burden. As near as he could judge, 100 feet of her keel was above water, and the derelict seemed to have been floating about for a month or two. It was the captain's opinion that the vessel would drift south to southwest, and thus gradually come more in the track of shipping. There was nothing to indicate the identity of the vessel.

The French Journal, La France Australe, published at New Caledonia, on the 22nd November contained the following report: "The director of the interior has informed the authorities that a raft composed of half of a lower mast, cut through, and attached to which were some planks, drove ashore at Nakety Bay. Upon examination it was found that the spars were of pine. One of the spars had attached to it a chafing plate, and was about the size of a topgallant mast, and had apparently snapped near the cap. The spars are yellow-painted. The raft had washed ashore on the 13th November, and it was judged to have come from some shipwrecked vessel." The question suggests itself that the raft belonged to the capsized vessel sighted by the Defiance.

STILL UNDECIDED.

While Many Think the Ardnamurchan Lost, the Fact Cannot Be Fixed.

A despatch to the Colonist from Vancouver says: "The Vancouver Packing Co. says it is positive that the salmon ship believed to have been lost is the Ardnamurchan. The company positively identifies the salmon shipped by it to be the same as that found on the beach near Astoria."

As stated yesterday morning, the opinion prevalent here in many quarters is to the same effect, while others suggest that the lost vessel, if wreck has occurred, may have been the Machrihanish. To state with any positiveness that it is either is more than can be done, in view of the scant information as yet to hand. True, salmon bearing all the marks of that found on the Oregon coast was loaded on the Ardnamurchan, but similar marks of one or other of the three brands found were on other vessels of the fleet. A director of the Vancouver Packing Co. in Victoria states that it is impossible to fix the vessel from the fact of salmon packed by that company having been found, for a great amount of their salmon was sold to shippers here and at Vancouver, and loaded on different vessels. The company did not ship it themselves, and cannot, therefore, say what vessel it went on. As yet the vessel feared to have been lost has not been fixed, but the supposition from most sides favors the belief that she was the Ardnamurchan. This vessel was fully insured, $90,000 of the insurance being held by the Imperial Bank.

THE STRANDED POLTALLOCH.

Representative of Salvage Company Goes From Victoria to the Scene of the Wreck.

W. T. Wait, agent of the London Salvage Company, has gone from this city to North Cove, at the entrance to Shoalwater Bay, to see what can be done to float the stranded ship Poltalloch. The ship went aground November 27 during a dense fog, but her present position is not considered dangerous. It is not believed that the Poltalloch has sustained any serious injuries. She is high and dry on the sand and resting easily.

The Poltalloch is comparatively a new vessel, having been constructed at Belfast, Ireland, in 1893, by Clarke & Co. She is a full-rigged steel ship. At the time she went on the sands the Poltalloch was on her way from Santa Rosalia to Puget Sound, to load grain for the United Kingdom. She is of 2,250 tons net register.

MARINE NOTES.

The Chilian bark Bertha, which arrived at Valparaiso on December 1, from this port, with lumber, reported having encountered a heavy gale on November 3, when the seas swept over the vessel and the water got into the hold. To save the vessel part of the cargo was jettisoned.

Ship Glory of the Seas arrived at San Francisco on Thursday from Comox, with a cargo of coal.

British Ship Sierra Miranda Sailed from Hongkong on November 27, for the Royal Roads. She is now out 60 days, and unless delayed by adverse winds, as was the Castle Rock, can be looked for any time now.

Steamer Tees reached Union yesterday afternoon from the North. She will arrive here this morning. She called at Skidegate on her downward trip.

Steamer Cottage City will sail for Alaskan ports from the outer wharf about 6 this morning. She will carry two passengers, who are bound to Cape Nome over the Katmai route. J. and D. Prinnell, the two Nome-bound travellers, intend to go to the Behring straits from Nome on their arrival at the Arctic diggings, having claims in a new district, struck at the close of last season. The Cottage City will take a few packages of freight from here.

Bark Undaunted, which arrived from San Francisco on Thursday, passed up yesterday to Comox, to load a cargo of coal for San Francisco. Another vessel which passed up yesterday was the bark Guy C. Goss, also from San Francisco. She went up to Vancouver to load lumber.

Bark Prince, the Norwegian vessel now being repaired at Esquimalt, was formerly a Nova Scotia vessel, and is well known to the "Bluenose" element of this city.

Bark Mermaid, now at Esquimalt, has been chartered to load lumber at Vancouver for Callao.

MARINE NEWS.

Neah Bay—Passed out, Jan. 23, sh Alsterthal, for Queenstown.

Astoria—Sailed, Jan. 23, sh Inchcape Rock, for United Kingdom.

Tacoma—Sailed, Jan. 24, str Horda, for Tallenwan.

Port Townsend—Sailed, Jan. 24, str Glenfarg, for China.

San Diego—Arrived, Jan. 24, str Carlisle City, from Hongkong.

Hongkong—Arrived, prior to Jan. 23, str Idzuma Maru, from Tacoma.

Tocopilla—Sailed, Jan. 8, bk Wanock, for Port Townsend.

Hoqualm—Arrived, Jan. 22, schr Roy Somers, from San Francisco for Aberdeen; schr Lizzie Vance, from San Francisco for Cosmopolis.

Portland, Ore.—Cleared, Jan. 24, sh Lika, for Queenstown; str Milos, for Hongkong.

San Francisco—Sailed, Jan. 24, schr La Gironde, for Grays harbor; str Hyadis, for Seattle; sh Bohemia, for Oyster harbor. Arrived, schrs John P. Miller, Emma Utter, Gotama, from Coos bay; Charles R. Wilson, from Grays harbor; Berwick, from Coquille river; Lily, from Umpqua; Viking, from Coos bay; Ethel Zane, from Tacoma; sh Lucile, from Seattle; bktn Tam o' Shanter, from Columbia river; sh Glory of the Seas, from Comox; sh Sintram, from Tacoma. Arrived, Jan. 23; sh Lucile, from Seattle; str Jeannie, from Seattle. Sailed, Jan. 23, str Santa Ana, for Seattle; schr John G. North, for Puget Sound.

Hongkong—Sailed, Nov. 27, Br sh Sierra Miranda, for Royal Roads.

Neah Bay—Jan. 23, str. Washtenaw, 3:30 p.m., from San Francisco, for Tacoma.

San Francisco—Sailed, Jan. 24, str Hyades for Seattle; sh Bohemia, for Oyster harbor. Arrived, schr Bangor, from Port Hadlock.

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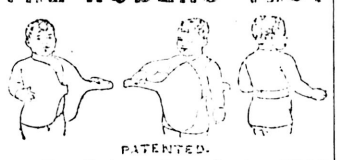

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The numbers of the drawn debentures will be duly advertised for the information of the holders thereof.

J. H. LAWSON, Secretary.

Wharf street, Victoria, January 12th, 1901.

NOTICE OF SALE.

In the Supreme Court of British Columbia. Johnson & Burnett, Ltd., v. Princess Royal Canning Co., Ltd., Cannon et al., v. Princess Royal Canning Co., Ltd.; United Canneries of B. C., Ltd., v. Princess Royal Canning Co., Ltd.

In pursuance of the orders of the Honorable Mr. Justice Irving, dated respectively the 20th, 22nd and 22nd days of December, A. D. 1900, in three certain actions in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, wherein Johnson & Burnett, Limited, are plaintiffs, H.C.H.Cannon et al., plaintiffs, and the United Canneries of British Columbia Limited, are plaintiffs respectively, and the Princess Royal Canning Company, Limited, are the defendants in each respectively, there will be offered for sale at the Court House, Vancouver, B. C., on Saturday the 26th day of January, A. D. 1901, at the hour of 12 noon, the leasehold interest of the defendants in the following property situate in the said Province of British Columbia, namely, lots thirty-five (35), thirty-six (36), thirty-seven (37), and thirty-eight (38), range three (3), Coast District. The particulars and conditions of sale will be produced at time of sale and on application to Messrs. Martin & Deacon, solicitors for the plaintiffs, No. 419 Hastings Street, Vancouver, B. C.,

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A. E. BECK, District Registrar.

ADMINISTRATION NOTICE.

In the matter of the estate and effects of Elizabeth Watkins, deceased, late of 15 Mears street, in the city of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that all persons having any claims against the estate of Elizabeth Watkins, deceased, late of the city of Victoria, British Columbia, are hereby required to send statements of their claims, duly verified, to Caroline Humphreys and Thomas Hooper, P. O. Box 219, or room 11, Five Sisters Block, executors of the estate of the said deceased, on or before the 15th day of February next, after which date the executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the said Elizabeth Watkins among the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they have then had notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the assets of any part thereof so distributed to any person of whose claim the said executors have not had notice at the time of distribution.

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THE FUTURE OF THE ISLAND.

One of the chief objections that have been made to the development of Vancouver Island is that it is an island. My attention during the last three days has been directed exclusively to the question of car transportation by ferry, and I have been favored with special opportunities to get information on the subject by the persons who are in the best possible position to know the possibilities of the various features of this particular traffic. I do not propose to give to the public the details of the information placed at my disposal, as it was confidential; but I may state the general conclusion, which was that the carriage of cars by ferry is not only feasible for distances far greater than any between Vancouver Island and the Mainland, but that it is highly profitable, when sufficient tonnage offers to load the ferries.

In view of the experience of the railway companies which have handled this sort of business, and of the opinions the managers expressed to me, after being informed of the conditions to be encountered in employing car ferries on the inland coast waters of this province, I feel that we are no longer justified in looking upon water stretches which separate us from the Mainland, as obstacles to development along any lines which the energy of our people may lead them to enter upon, and it will be with renewed confidence in what is possible of accomplishment that I shall continue to do what little I am able to bring about the inauguration of an era of progress and prosperity for our Island.

One thing which has much impressed me is the great ignorance prevailing in regard to the Island, which is all the more remarkable because the people I have talked with were, as a general thing, actively engaged in the transportation business. To them the Island is a name and nothing more, and I could not help thinking that, if we are so little known in transportation circles, the general public must be wholly ignorant. Let me give an illustration. I talked with one of the officers of a concern engaged almost exclusively in handling coal. They handle thousands upon thousands of tons. He asked me if we had any coal in this part of the world, and was utterly amazed when I told him that the United States Navy Department had, after full trial, pronounced Comox coal superior to the article which he was handling in such enormous quantities. I was asked by a very active man, engaged in transportation business in Chicago—and his line is a transcontinental one—if we had any lumber here, and if it was good for anything. He apologized later for the question by saying that he supposed we were too far north. The Custom House officer at Windsor, as we were watching the ferries break up the ice, asked how we broke up the ice in our Coast waters. Another man, and he was in the transportation business, asked how long traffic to Skagway was interrupted by ice.

These questions, except that of the Custom House officer, were asked in the course of discussion of the transportation problems of the Coast, which will show that they were seriously meant. It seems to me that we shall have to do a great deal more than we have yet done if we want to make the resources of our Island known to the world.

Let me say in conclusion that I am more than ever satisfied that there is not in the Western Hemisphere another area equal in size to Vancouver Island, that possesses anything like so great a variety and extent of resources, or can look as confidently forward to the developments of the future.

CHAS. H. LUGRIN.

Toronto, Jan. 18.

EMPIRE DAY.

Among the many startling changes that will be brought about by the death of Her Gracious Majesty Victoria I., none will strike the older generation more painfully than the abolishment of the Queen's Birthday, May 24th. Young and old throughout the Empire have come to look upon the 24th as, next to Christmas, the most popular and important of holidays, and to pass it as an ordinary work-day will prove unnatural and even irksome to a great majority of British subjects, especially in Canada and the other colonies. His Majesty King Edward's birthday falls on November 9, which in Eastern Canada, and even in our more temperate climate, marks the first darkening days of winter, and is, therefore, unfitted for more than observance as a day of rest from labor, as a formal mark of respect for the sovereign. Queen Victoria's birthday, on the contrary, came at a season when Nature was decked in her best attire, when men, women and children were in the happy, buoyant mood that springtime engenders in every living being, and old and young feel an irresistible desire to "go amaying." It were a thousand pities to see the Queen's Birthday abolished, and the Colonist feels assured that Victorians, with whom it has become an annual event, and the people of the whole Dominion, will favor the suggestion that the birthday of our loved and lamented Queen be preserved in perpetuity as a public holiday in Canada, under the name of Empire Day.

Ontario has already passed a law to that effect, so far as the schools are concerned; but the matter would be greatly simplified by the passage of a Dominion act, to which all would gladly acquiesce. Senator Macdonald, of Victoria, as stated in yesterday's Colonist, introduced a bill in the Dominion Senate on the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of her late Majesty's birthday, declaring the 24th of May a perpetual holiday in Canada, and it received the unanimous assent of the upper house. For some unexplained reason it was never brought to a vote in the House of Commons, and it dropped out of sight in the press of business at subsequent sessions. If the Senator will revive his bill at the next session of parliament, providing that the 24th of May be observed hereafter as "Empire Day," the Colonist has no doubt but that both houses will willingly pass the measure. Meantime Victoria should not forego her annual celebration, but set an example to her sister cities by making the observance of next May 24th a noteworthy event.

A despatch received at midnight from Ottawa announces that the proposal outlined above has met with general favor in the East, and that the government has expressed its intention of introducing a bill at the next session of parliament declaring May 24th Empire Day. This will be welcome news to all Canadians, and we hope it may lead to the Imperial parliament passing a similar act, making the holiday universal throughout the Empire.

While commending the Dominion government for its promise of prompt action in the matter, the Colonist would suggest that it would be a graceful act to allow Senator Macdonald to take charge of the bill of which he was the originator.

UNFAIR CRITICISM.

Criticism of the acts of a member of a government when those acts call for censure is not only legitimate, but an important part of the duty which a newspaper owes to the public, but a line should be drawn in cases where a cause of complaint obviously arises from the malfeasance of a subordinate whose lapses cannot possibly be checked by the head of the department. If the cashier of a branch bank should steal the money entrusted to his care, it would be monstrous to accuse the general manager at the head office of the institution of neglect of duty in permitting the embezzlement. It is, therefore, ungenerous on the part of the Times to insinuate that the delay in the construction of a wagon road between Keremeos and Princeton, in the Similkameen mining division, is due to carelessness or neglect on the part of the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works. The Times acknowledges that the Chief Commissioner "is doing his utmost to handle his department in a business-like way," and it is, or should be, perfectly well aware that the case which it cites as an instance of mismanagement of the Lands and Works Department, is one of which it was next to impossible that the Chief Commissioner should have personal knowledge, under the system which prevailed when he took office. Under it, after an appropriation for a road, bridge or other public improvement had been voted by the legislature, the details of the work were confided to under-officials, the government confiding in their ability and integrity to carry it to completion. The system was defective, inasmuch as it imposed too much responsibility on men who might prove extravagant, incompetent or dishonest. The new Chief Commissioner was not long in discovering this weak spot in the administration of his department, and he applied a check in the person of a provincial Inspector of Public Works, whose duty it is to visit every section of the province where public works are being prosecuted, and see that they are carried out to the letter of the specification and with due regard to economy. The appointment of this important official renders it impossible that a blunder, such as has caused the delay in the construction of the Keremeos-Princeton road, should occur in the future. Meantime there is no reason to apprehend that the individual directly responsible for the unfortunate delay in providing a road for the Similkameen miners will escape the punishment which his act merits.

The Times, with its knowledge of the masterful character of the Chief Commissioner, must be well aware that he is not likely to allow such a glaring instance of neglect of duty to go unpunished, and while the case (as we presume) is under investigation it would have been in better taste for our contemporary to have abstained from commenting upon it, or, if it must attack somebody, direct its strictures to the really culpable party, rather than strike at him through the head of the department.

The concluding paragraph of the Times' article is so foreign to what precedes it that we are at a loss to discover what it means. It says it understands "that the Chief Commissioner is the one strong Liberal holding office in Mr. Dunsmuir's cabinet." What has that to do with the administration of his department? Does the Times wish to convey the impression that the political creed of the Chief Commissioner is a bar to his having the work of the department properly administered by his subordinates? If so, it is an unworthy insinuation, reflecting upon the honor of many tried and capable officers who have earned the confidence and respect of the public by their faithful services.

The annual balance sheet of the municipality of North Cowichan shows that the council of 1900 followed Micawbee's excellent advice, and lived within its income thus insuring happiness and contentment. Cowichan has always managed its domestic affairs with marked ability and last year was no exception to the rule. The public service has invariably been efficient, the municipal rulers having managed to do wonders with the limited revenue at their command; their good roads are a credit to their executive ability.

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300 pair Misses Oxford Tie Shoes, 75 cents pair.
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8 Plaid Skirts, were $4.50—Saturday	2 75	4 were 10 00—Saturday	7 75	1 was 16 00—Saturday	9 75
4 Shot Tafetta Silk Skirts, were $5.50—Saturday	2 75	1 was 13 50—Saturday	9 75	1 was 18 00—Saturday	12 50
8 Black Tafetta Silk Skirts, were $9.75—Saturday	5 75	1 was 9 50—Saturday	7 75	1 was 27 50—Saturday	19 75
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		2 were 10 50—Saturday	7 50	1 was 20 00—Saturday	15 00
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In the Matter of the Estate of Archibald Connell Muir, Late of the Town of Esquimalt, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims against the estate of the said Archibald Connell Muir, who died on the 21st day of December, 1900, are required, on or before the 25th day of February, A. D., 1901, to send by post prepaid, or deliver to Messrs Robertson & Robertson, 8 Bastion Square Victoria, B. C., Solicitors for Margaret Muir, the executrix of the last will of the said deceased, full particulars of their claims duly verified.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executrix will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which she shall then have notice, and that the said executrix will not be liable for the said assets, or any part thereof, to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by her at the time of such distribution.

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Northbound.	Daily. a.m.	Sat. Sun. p.m.
Leaves Victoria	9.00	3.10
Leave Shawnigan Lake	10.15	4.25
Leave Duncans	10.56	5.03
Leave Chemainus	11.27	5.33
Leave Ladysmith	11.47	5.53
	p.m.	
Leave Nanaimo	12.45	6.45
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BALANCE SHEET FOR 1900.

RECEIPTS.

To bal. on hand 1st Jan., 1900	$ 99 47
To real estate tax, collected on account current year	2,128 89
To real estate tax, collected on account of arrears	369 72
To road tax	1,146 00
To licenses	586 00
To scavenging	113 90
To dog tax	48 90
	$4,492 88

EXPENDITURE.

By outstanding accounts of 1899		$ 141 78
By general road repairs	$249 75	
By road district No. 1	422 72	
By road district No. 2	290 00	
By road district No. 3	390 00	
By road district No. 4	943 75	
		$2,297 12
By indemnities and allowances		$ 175 25
By clerk's salary and commission		295 00
By health and fire inspector		46 00
By road inspector		171 00
By advertising, stationary, postage etc.		49 10
By sanitary account		200 00
By inquests		25 75
By sundry accounts		4 60
By expenses at municipal hall		58 80
By legal expenses		36 20
By surveys		256 25
By donations		139 65
By balance, cash on hand		596 29
		$4,492 88

ASSETS.

Real estate tax in arrears for 1899 and previous years		$ 236 09
Real estate tax in arrears for 1900		255 28
Cash on hand		596 29
		$1,087 66
Balance		$ 463.27

LIABILITIES.

Accounts due by municipality	$ 624 39
Balance	463 27
	$1,087 66

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AUCTION SALES.—All Advertisements for Auction Sales will be found on Page 8.

"The Private Secretary." — The comedy, "The Private Secretary," will be presented at the Victoria theatre by the Victoria Dramatic Society on the evening of February 5.

To Call for Tenders.—Ald. Williams has given notice that at the next meeting of the city council he will move that tenders be called for for printing and binding the annual reports of the corporation.

A Mistake.—The types yesterday made it appear in C. C. Russell's advertisement that silk blouse waists were priced at $2.50, and "newest style 25 cents each." Needless to say, the last clause was an interpolation that was not warranted by what Mr. Russell wrote.

Saved Their Books.—The large advertising firm of A. McKim & Co., of Montreal, escaped luckily during the recent great fire which visited the city, saving all their books and records. They have taken offices in the new Star building, and are now doing business as usual.

Federation League.—A branch of the Imperial Federation League is shortly to be established in Victoria. Mr. F. Napier Denison is corresponding with the officers of the Central league, and hopes to have the project in shape before long. It is thought that the organization of the league will do much to impress upon young men the responsibilities of empire.

Passing Their Honeymoon.—Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Dow are spending the first days of their honeymoon in Victoria, the guests of Mr. James Murie, Frederick street. Mrs. Dow, formerly Miss Agnes Smith, is well known in social and church circles in Seattle, while Mr. Dow is one of Seattle's much respected citizens. He is well known in Victoria.

No Court.—The only case set for hearing in the city police court yesterday was that of a Chinaman charged with assault. In accordance with the decision arrived at by the magistrate, not to try any cases unless of urgent importance, until after the funeral of the Queen, this case was remanded until February 2, the extreme limit allowed for remands. On that date it will be further remanded.

A Big Award.—Private letters received in Victoria during the past few days convey the information that the secretary of the department of the Interior at Washington has rendered a decision finally granting to Ben Moore 60 acres of the townsite of Skagway, about which there has been much litigation. The land thus awarded includes the most valuable portion of the waterfront, and takes in the Pacific Coast Company's wharves, and the site of the White Pass railway depot.

Christian Workers.—There will be a grand rally of the Christian Young People's Societies in St. Paul's Presbyterian church, Victoria West, next Monday evening. The meeting will open at 8 o'clock. Rev. W. L. Clay will give an address on "Necessary Qualifications for Winning Souls," and Rev. J. D. P. Knox will conduct a Bible reading; subject, "Plan of Salvation." Good singing will also be provided. This will be the second grand rally of this local union, and it is confidently expected that it will be even more successful than the first one held. The meeting will be open to the public, and a good attendance is looked for. Collection will be taken to aid in the work of the union.

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Stop Issue Of Passports

No More Japanese Immigrants to be Allowed to Come to Canada.

This Action Taken on Account of Enforcement of Provincial Act.

The Immigration Act passed at the last session of the legislature, is having the effect of keeping Japanese laborers out of the province. Already two immigrants who were unable to comply with the provisions of the act requiring an educational test, have been prevented from landing, and now comes the information that the Japanese consul at Vancouver has advised his government not to issue any passports to Japanese bound for Canada. This advice was sent late last year, and it is believed that the government of Japan are now acting upon it. A Japanese merchant spoken to yesterday, said he understood that the consul had so advised the government, and that the few now coming over held passports issued last year. As to the two Japs who came over on the steamer Victorian, and on being refused a landing, were taken to Seattle, it is not believed that any effort will be made to have them landed here; in fact, from conversation with Japanese, it seems that there is a prospect of their being landed on the Sound. Should they be brought on the Victoria when she passes here on her way back to the Orient, nothing would suit the steamship company better than to have them landed by an order of the court, which would relieve them of the necessity of carrying them back to Yokohama, and would open the way to test the validity of the act. The statement made a few days ago, that the steamship companys would not accept any more Japanese passengers off the other side of the ocean until the act had been tested, is not correct. The companies will continue to bring as many as apply for passage and let them fight it out with the immigration officer when they arrive here. If the advise of the consul is acted upon, however, there will be no immigration among the passengers, as immigrants cannot leave Japan without passports.

Another matter that has been engaging the attention of the Japanese consul is the treatment meted out to Japanese merchants by the United States immigration officer at Seattle. Both Victoria and Seattle merchants are compelled to go through the same routine as immigrants, being held at Port Townsend for examination by the quarantine officer, and to go through the other examination required of immigrants. The steamship companies cannot help the merchants, as they are subject to a fine if they do not class on their list all Japanese passengers as immigrants, even if they are British or Americans. A short time ago a Jap who had resided in Tacoma for years and had taken out his papers, could not return to Tacoma from Victoria without going as an immigrant. The consul has sent a protest to the ambassador at Washington, and is hopeful that the matter will be so arranged that merchants can visit the cities of the Sound, and those in Seattle and Tacoma come to Victoria as do merchants of other nationalities, without being treated as is now the case by the United States officers.

Coming Attractions. — The Victoria theatre will not be open again until February 8, the attractions booked for next week having been cancelled, as was the one that was to have been presented last Wednesday evening, on account of the death of the Queen. The theatre will be re-opened with "The Christian," on the 8th, to be followed by "Way Down East," on the 12th; Richards and Pringle's minstrels, 16th; Chas. Dickson, 19th; "Prisoner of Zenda" 25th; and Mrs. Fiske, 28th. As the season draws to a close, the number of shows grow less, there being but four booked for March, three for April and one for May.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Secret Societies Complete Arrangements for Services Next Saturday.

A meeting of the delegates of the secret societies was held last evening, for the purpose of considering the advisability of holding a memorial service on Saturday next. W. H. Price was elected chairman and Phil. R. Smith secretary. The delegates present were comprised mainly of national societies, who have taken the preliminary steps toward a recognition of the services rendered friendly and benevolent societies during the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. It was decided to hold a memorial service on Saturday afternoon next, in front of the legislative buildings, James Bay, invitations being issued to the Lieutenant-Governor, the Dominion and Provincial members of parliament, and the Mayor and Council. Societies will assemble at the A. O. U. W. hall, Yates street, on the day of the services, and march to the government buildings. Committees were appointed to arrange the ceremonies of the day, and a vote of thanks was passed to the Victoria City band for their offers of assistance. The secretary was instructed to write the executive officers of each lodge, inviting their participation, this course being decided upon in view of the length of time consumed in going through the ordinary channels. The following resolution was then passed:

"Resolved, that we, the delegates of secret and benevolent societies assembled, express our grief at the death of our beloved Queen, and recognize the great loss we have suffered; we hereby place on record a recognition of the services and privileges accorded to friendly societies during Her Majesty's reign, which shall find expression at the memorial services on Saturday next."

The meeting then adjourned until Thursday evening next, when delegates or presiding officers of the various societies are requested to attend.

Spell Broken.—The first arrest since Sunday was made last evening by the city police, Constables McDonald and Mouatt arresting an Indian woman for drunkenness. The woman weighs close on 300 pounds, and the officers had a lively time getting her to the lockup. After her arrival she let the neighborhood know that she was there, at intervals screaming at the top of her voice.

Laid at Rest.—The funeral of the late Miss Frances Crawfurd took place yesterday from "Swallowfield," Richmond street, the residence of her nephew, Mr. E. C. B. Bagshawe, to Christ Church cathedral, where the funeral services were performed by Rev. Canon Beanlands, who also officiated at the grave. The pall-bearers were: Messrs. Allan S. Dumbleton, D. H. McDowall, H. S. Bond, W. P. J. Gooch, Frank I. Clarke and Capt. J. B. Michell.

New Busses.—William Mable has just completed another large bus for Stephen Jones, of the Dominion hotel. Mr. Jones having found that the two busses that he has been running in connection with the hotel are not able to handle all the passengers bound to and from the Dominion. A new bus has also just left John Meston's factory for Mrs. Walt, of the Vernon and Dallas hotel. It is the first rubber-tired hotel bus in the city.

Hardy Bay Townsite.—Upon the receipt of private advices from Ottawa to the effect that it is almost certain that the required aid will be given by the federal government to the project to extend the E. & N. railway to the north end of the Island, quite a number of Victorians, during the past few days, have been endeavoring to secure lots in the townsite of Hardy Bay, which is to be the terminus of the road. The Jenson syndicate, which is handling the townsite, yesterday disposed of a number of lots at good figures.

Sir William Wallace Society.—At their meeting last night, the Sir William Wallace Society decided to refrain from all social entertainments until after the funeral of the Queen, and resolutions were passed that the picture of Her Majesty, draped with crepe, be placed in the post of honor, occupied by that of Sir William Wallace's picture, in their hall. Chief McCurrach, who was in the chair, called the attention of the society to the death of Bro. A. G. Hay, who was much beloved and respected by all the members, and it was resolved that the members attend the funeral, and that a letter of condolence be sent to his bereaved mother.

Farm Sold.—Messrs. Young Bros., of the New England hotel, have sold to Mr. A. D. Donaldson of Superior street, their ranch, on the east side of Sooke harbor. There is a large acreage in the property, some of which is under cultivation. The iron mines recently bonded by Mr. McSwaney, of McKeesport, Pa., for an Eastern syndicate, adjoin the property. It is said that these mines are to be developed to a considerable extent to prove their value, and that work will be commenced immediately, the deal having been put through during the last few days, and the bond returned from the East, where it was sent to be signed.

U. S. DEFENCES.

Fortification Bill Reported to the House of Representatives.

Washington, Jan. 25.—The fortification appropriation bill, providing for the coast defences of the country, was reported to the house to-day by the house committee on appropriations. The estimates on which the bill is based aggregate $12,461,193, of which sum there are recommended in the bill appropriations amounting to $7,227,461. The scheme of sea coast fortifications contemplated by the Endicott board, and which has been followed by congress in the appropriations, made since 1888, it is now proved will cost in the aggregate, $112,197,267, of which sum there already has been provided $51,324,996, the engineer department having received $22,142,164, and the ordnance department, $28,182,842. Among the more important items in the bill is one providing $22,000 for the Watervaliet arsenal at Troy, N. Y.

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Montreal Underwriters Increase Rates Fifty Per Cent.

Montreal, Jan. 25.—As a result of three big fires within a week, in which the loss exceeded $3,000,000, the fire insurance underwriters met this morning and increased insurance rates 50 per cent. on mercantile risks. Not only that, but they established a conflagration district, which includes the entire wholesale district of the city, and levied an extra twenty-five cents per hundred on mercantile property situated therein. Certain preferred risks are exempted from the fifty per cent. increase, but all are subject to the conflagration risk. The action of the underwriters was largely determined by the necessity of improving the fire brigade, which lacks much necessary apparatus.

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To Protect The Laborer

Labor Regulation Act Passed Last Seesion Brought Into Force.

All Provincial Constables Instructed to See That It Is Enforced.

Another of the acts passed at the last session of the legislature aimed at the cheap Asiatic laborers has been brought into effect by the provincial government. This is the act known as the Labor Regulation Act, the full title of which is "An Act regulating the employment on works carried on under franchises granted by private acts." This act is the same in nature as the Immigration Act, which is now being successfully enforced against Japanese immigrants. It provides that companies working under acts passed at the last session of the legislature or any acts that may be passed in the future, if only amendments to former acts, shall not employ any workman who "when asked to do so by a duly authorized officer, shall fail to himself read in a language of Europe, this act." Any employer, contractor or sub-contractor employing any such person is liable to a fine not exceeding $25, and not less than $10, or in default, imprisonment for thirty days. Any member, manager, director, officer or agent of a corporation who causes or procures any person to be engaged or employed contrary to the provisions of the act, or permits or connives at such engagement or employment, will be liable, upon summary conviction, to like penalties.

The offender shall be liable to separate and successive penalties for each and every day during which any person shall be employed.

In the event of any contravention of the act, it shall lie on the employer to prove that the person was not engaged or employed contrary to the provisions of the act.

The government has appointed all provincial constables to see that the act is observed, and has issued instructions to them. After quoting the act, the instructions proceed:

"(a) All provincial constables shall apply to all persons who, as they believe, are not able to comply with the provisions of the said section, and, through a person of the same nationality, able to speak the English language, and shall demand that satisfactory evidence be given that such suspects are able to comply with said section:

"(b) It shall, for the time being, be deemed satisfactory if the person so approached, together with the person so interpreting, shall make a statutory declaration stating that the said suspect has read this act in a language of Europe; the copy of the act so read shall be attached as an exhibit to the said declaration, and the person interpreting shall, in his declaration, declare that the suspect has read the said act, and in what language of Europe:

"(c) The said declaration shall forthwith be forwarded to this department, and upon the provincial constable being notified by this department that the evidence given is satisfactory, he shall certify, in form 'A' in the schedule to the said act, that the person is eligible for employment under the said act.

"If any person so approached shall be unable to comply with the provisions of the said act, in manner before mentioned, the provincial constable shall institute proceedings as set forth in said section 4, and, upon a conviction being secured, at once notify this department, with a view that proceedings may be taken, if deemed advisable, under section 9 of the said act.

"Proceedings shall be taken, where sufficient evidence can be secured, against all agents or others conniving at the employment of persons unable to comply with the provisions of the said act, as set out in said section 4.

"Any person who shall, in the presence of a provincial constable, read the said act in the English language, and make out, sign and read in the same language the form set out in schedule 'B' to the said act, shall be deemed to be exempt from the provisions thereof, and any provincial constable shall thereupon issue to such person a certificate in form 'A' as set out in the said schedule."

THE SCHOOL BOARD.

First Meeting of the Trustees of the Board of 1901.

At the first meeting of the new board of school trustees, Dr. Lewis Hall was re-elected chairman, and it was decided after discussion on Dr. Hall's suggested changes in the regulations, to have two standing committees henceforth. This was the most important business transacted.

Miss Grenfell forwarded a telegram, declining a position on the teaching staff. It was thereupon decided to confirm the action of the Superintendent in appointing Miss Johnson at a salary of $450. Mr. Bayley and Miss Banson were appointed janitors of Hillside avenue and Rock Bay schools, respectively.

The Superintendent was instructed to advertise for tenders for the supply of cordwood, and also to have the roof of the High School repaired.

Explaining his suggested changes in the regulations, the chairman thought it would facilitate matters to have fewer committees. The four standing committees should be done away with and two committees—advisory and executive—substituted. Trustee Belyea had doubt about the successful working of this arrangement. There should be a finance committee. After some discussion it was decided to have but two committees—finance and buildings and grounds.

The abstract statement of expenditures for the past year is as follows:

Expended, 1900.

Janitors	$ 3,022 50
Fuel	1,101 70
Board	1,099 69
Printing and Advertising	70 65
Furniture	896 40
Supplies	254 41
Repairs and Alterations	3,976 52
Insurance	737 00
Miscellaneous	759 43
	$11,918 30
Salaries	41,183 40
	$53,101 70

Another meeting will be held on Monday evening for the purpose of considering the estimates.

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IN CHAMBERS.

Examination of Witnesses in Smith v. Empress of Japan Arranged For.

An application was made in chambers yesterday morning in the case of the Kaslo & Slocan Railway Company v. Martin, seeking an extension of time to file defence owing to the absence of Attorney-General Eberts at Ottawa. The application was granted with the understanding that if the Attorney-General returns from Ottawa prior to that time, the defence will be filed. The action is practically one against the crown, being entered against the Timber Inspector in his official capacity. W. H. Langley for defence; J. H. Lawson for plaintiffs.

In the case of Smith v. the Empress of Japan, application was also made for an examination of the quartermasters of the C. P. R. liner. They are leaving the vessel, and an examination was therefore necessary. Mr. Justice Martin fixed the hearing for to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock

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GOT TWO THOUSAND.

Arthur L. Spencer Took Much Money From Victoria Chinese.

Arthur L. Spencer, the alleged bogus Chinese interpreter, who is under arrest at Spokane for impersonating a United States Officials, is reported to have swindled Victoria Chinese out of $2,000. Spencer is said to have represented himself in Victoria to be a personal friend to high government officials at Washington, D. C., and prevailed upon the Chinese here to believe that the only thing necessary to obtain entrance into the United States was the retention of his good will, which he dispensed for a consideration. Shortly before he was arrested in Spokane, Spencer was given a reception here by the Chinese. During the course of the evening the bogus inspector, in return for courtesies shown, is said to have proposed to the assembly to land thirty-eight of their countrymen on Puget Sound shores for the sum of $38 each. The proposition was eagerly accepted, and Spencer is said to have collected that amount from each prospective resident before he left the city on the following day.

Emboldened by the success of his work, the wily Spencer could not refrain from again drawing upon a source which yielded such ready returns, and before his dupes had ascertained his identity, he returned to Victoria and sold promiscuously 100 tickets at $10 each to as many Chinese. He is accused of having represented that his signature attached to each bit of pasteboard would receive instant recognition on the American side of the international boundary by local inspectors, whom he stated to the purchasers were but menials that worked entirely under his personal direction.

Lodge Meeting.—There was a good attendance at the regular meeting of Far West lodge, K. of P., last evening. Two esquires received the rank of knight. The resignation of Master of finance J. Lovell Smith was accepted, as he is leaving the city. W. P. Smith was elected to fill the vacancy. During the evening a report was received from the meeting, arranging for services on the day the Queen is buried, and the lodge decided to participate and every member will be notified that no excuse will be taken for non-attendance.

Temperance Concert.—The programme to be given at the popular concert to be held at Temperance hall to-night, is as follows: Overture, "The Caliph of Bagdad," the Cecilian orchestra; song, "Asleep in the Deep," Mr. Palmer; piano duet, "Waves of the Ocean," Miss Savage and Mr. Longfield; song, "Daddy," Miss Harris; violin solo, "Il Trovatore," Mr. Calvert; march, "El Capitan, the Cecilian orchestra; song, "When Other Lips," Mr. Ives; song, "For All Eternity," Miss Annabelle Russell, with violin obligato by Mr. Jesse Longfield; selection, "Symposia," the Cecilian orchestra; song, "Answer," Miss Kate Palmer; piano duet, "Sans Souci," Mr. Humbert McConnell and Mr. Longfield; march, "Indenpenta," the Cecilian orchestra.

SEATTLE WINS AT HANDBALL

Interesting Games at the James Bay Club Rooms Last Evening.

Yesterday afternoon about forty people gathered in the J.B.A.A. gymnasium to witness the final handball matches of the season, between the J.B.A.A. and the Seattle Athletic Club. After some closely contested and exciting games, the Seattle team was victorious, with a score of five games to three. The games resulted as follows:

First Round.

Bebb, S.A.C.	8 points
Thompson, J.B.A.A.	21 points
Gresley, J.B.A.A.	21 points
Dr. McCulloch, S.A.C.	7 points
Jesse, J.B.A.A.	4 points
McDonald, S.A.C.	21 points

Score: 2 games to 1 in favor of the J.B.A.A.

Second Round.

Bebb, S.A.C.	21 points
Thompson, J.B.A.A.	13 points
Gresley, J.B.A.A.	19 points
Dr. McCulloch, S.A.C.	21 points
Jesse, J.B.A.A.	2 points
McDonald, S.A.C.	21 points

Score: 3 games to 0 in favor of the S.A.C.

Third Round.

Thompson, J.B.A.A.	21 points
Bebb, S.A.C.	10 points
Dr. McCulloch, S.A.C.	21 points
Gresley, J.B.A.A.	16 points

Score: 1 game each.

The total score was thus five games to three in favor of the Seattle Athletic Club. In the first round all the games were won comparatively easy, but in the second round two games out of the three were closely contested and very exciting. After a hard game, Bebb, S.A.C., defeated Thompson, J.B.A.A., with a score of 21-13. Thompson tried hard to reduce his opponent's lead, but without success. Bebb played a fine, dashing game, and his play was much appreciated by the spectators. But the best game of the day was the second game between Gresley, J.B.A.A. and Dr. McCulloch S.A.C. The play was very even and exciting from start to finish. Both players were frequently applauded by the spectators for brilliant play. Gresley was playing an uphill game all through. He fought very hard, and managed to get on terms with his opponent, but the doctor, by some magnificent play, drew away again, and finally won a splenddily contested game with a score of 21-19.

In the third round Thompson, J.B.A.A., and Bebb, S.A.C., played a good game. Thompson secured a lead at the start, and in spite of Bebb's efforts to lessen the gap, between them, he won with a score of 21-10. The last game was between Gresley, J.B.A.A. and Dr. McCulloch, S.A.C. The doctor secured the lead and gradually drew ahead making it look as if he would have a walk-over, but when the score was 8-2 Gresley settled down and fine play reduced his opponent's lead considerably. In this game the spectators showed their appreciation of the brilliant play by applauding frequently. In spite of all his efforts, Gresley could not equalize matters, and the game ended in a victory for Dr. McCulloch, with a score of 21-16. McDonald, the other Seattle player did not have to exert himself in his games with Jesse. The visitors thoroughly deserved their victory, and their brilliant play was greatly admired.

SPORTING NOTES.

At Cumberland yesterday the Cumberland team defeated the Nanaimo Thistles in the first game of the Intermediate Association football championship series by 3 to 2.

KITCHEN PASTIMES.

"Football is my game," remarked the gridiron.

"Hoot! It isn't in it with the golf," answered the tea caddy.

"Baseball for me," retorted the pitcher.

"Prize fighting's mine," said the mug.

"Cards for me," suggested the poker.

"Me, too," said the coffee pot and the cook's kitten, in chorus.

"Pshaw! Yachting's the only," remarked the gravy boat.

"Target practice for me," replied the range.

"Curling," whispered the upstairs maid's tongs.

"Ladies," said the potato masher.

"Hunting," hinted the poacher.

"Booze," hiccoughed the water tank.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY.

Sir:—With reference to your remarks in the Colonist of yesterday, touching my efforts to have the 24th day of May set apart as a legal holiday perpetually, I may inform you that the senate willingly and cheerfully passed my bill for that purpose—the present minister of justice, the Hon. Mr. Mills, seconding it, in a loyal speech, but the house of commons, to whom the bill was sent for ratification, failed to do so for some reason not known to me. I fully agree that another attempt should be made to attain that end, as being at this particular time a very appropriate way of doing honor to the memory of so good and wise a sovereign as Queen Victoria was. Such a holiday would be an annual remembrance of one so universally esteemed by all nations, as well as by the British people. The 24th of May linked as it has been—and will be for many years to come—with the life of Queen Victoria and her people—is such a fitting season for old and young to enjoy a free day; bright sunshine, fresh country air and harmless, but invigorating amusements. In this country so favored by nature, place, and scene may be easily varied by, or on the deep blue sea; by hill, mountain, valley—crystal stream and sylvan lakes, all of which may contribute to our thankfulness that such a Queen was born at such a delightful time of the year. When our great Dominion from East to West is carpeted with luxuriant grasses, many hued fragrant flowers, and ornamental shrubs, with renewed life on every side. It is therefore fitting that I should renew my attempt to make the 24th of May a perpetual holiday. W. J. MACDONALD.

COURT STENOGRAPHER.

Sir:—In your paper of this morning you state it is rumored about the courts that I am intending to apply for an injunction to restrain Messrs. Potts and Gilbert from reporting the case of Williams vs. B. A. C. I am very little likely to do anything so absurd. The case is being heard in open court, and anybody has a right to report the proceedings; but when any person contracts to supply counsel in the case, with a copy of the proceedings so taken, then they deprive me of a portion of income arising from acting as official stenographer, which consists partly of the amount obtained for supplying the extentions of notes to counsel. More than this, in this case there are peculiar circumstances which make the course pursued a very disagreeable one. To prepare for the work of a court stenographer requires years of study, hard work and careful living; and he is entitled to all he can obtain for his services, which, I may mention, amounts to less in this province than in any other part of the British dominions, or in the United States of America. If, before the coming on of the case the parties had expressed their desire to obtain a daily copy, they would have secured such co-operation from me as I could render; but nothing whatever was said to me of what was intended to be done. I have the same objection as any other court stenographer would have to a course being pursued which entails a considerable pecuniary loss.

LOUIS J. SEYMOUR.

Victoria, Jan. 25.

LIEUT.-GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE.

Sir:—Seeing a letter in the Colonist with reference to the designs submitted by eight out of about forty architects in British Columbia, for this proposed public undertaking, I went over to inspect the plans. I was not a competitor, neither have I the remotest interest in any of the authors. Some correspondence had taken place in the Colonist on the absurd and unreasonable conditions put forward and insisted on by the department, apparently with the object of preventing any architects in active practice from competing, and I was curious to see the result. Any person accustomed to the critical examination of plans, having the five clearly before him, could see at a glance that only three complied more or less closely with the conditions, namely, "Volute," "Olympia" and "Spero," and that for general excellence of plan, external design and details the two last were superior to all others. It was a particular instruction that the ball room should be en suite with the reception rooms; these three comply more or less completely, the others do not. I did not see that "Volute" had complied with the details specified in the conditions, whereas "Olympia" and "Spero" had carefully complied with all the conditions. I made no estimate of cost of any of the designs, but "Olympia" and "Spero" by reason of their superior compactness and economy in planning, would certainly come nearest to the $50,000 specified; the others would certainly overstep it, some considerably, and have no right to a place. The government made a mistake and copied out and issued the wrong set of conditions; and, as a result of their action, not a single architect occupying any leading position in the profession has responded to the invitation. But having been studiously debarred from entering a public competition, for a public building, they have a right, as simple citizens, to demand. FAIR PLAY.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE.

Sir:—Notwithstanding the decision of the patriotic committee, I am still of the opinion that the general public would like to see a union and official service held on the day of Her Majesty's funeral. I believe that in almost every city in Great Britain and the colonies an official service will be held, and that such service will be attended by the military of the district and by all who occupy official positions. In this city, the capital of the province, and bearing Her Majesty's name, such a service should be attended by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and the members of the government, His Worship the Mayor and Council, the board of trade, etc., and by detachments from all branches of Her Majesty's service, together with the city police. The arguments advanced that this is not a time for "celebrating," or "for show," should not have been made. It does not follow that because the citizens wish a united service to be attended by those elements of the population above mentioned, that they desire to parade their sorrow, but, on the other hand, that they wish, in the only manner possible, at this time, to do honor to the memory of the Queen they have loved so well, and to join together without regard to creed or sect in one impressive service. Why, it might just as well be said that the Queen should have a private funeral, in order to avoid a "celebration" or "show." How absurd. Victoria was a queen in every sense of the word, the highest person in the state, and it is due to her that the memorial service should be of as an imposing character as possible. It is a long time since there was a more impressive service held in this city than the one held in St. Andrew's church on New Year's Eve, and I think that those who attended that service will not soon forget its solemnity. It is to be hoped that the matter will be reconsidered, and as Her Majesty expressed a wish that her funeral should be of a military character, the Mayor will yet try to arrange for a service that will be a lasting tribute to the memory of our deeply lamented Queen. The friendly societies are moving in the direction of a united service, but all public bodies should be asked to join in the one solemn act of worship, the arrangements for which and the full programme should be printed and circulated on the previous day. HERBERT CUTHBERT.

OLD TIME TROUBLES.

Sir:—A friend has sent me your issue of the 6th inst., containing among other things an article based on some memories of Mr. Horne. In it Mr. Horne is reported as saying that a local clergyman at Nanaimo wrote the naval commander charging Mr. Horne with assaulting an Indian and that the commander took no action, etc. Permit me to say, as I was then the clergyman at Nanaimo: 1. That Capt. Stewart and not Mr. Horne was officially in charge of Nanaimo at the time, and was personally appealed to by myself to prevent the brutal attacks on the Hydahs then visiting Nanaimo. The particular Indian referred to by Mr. Horne was nearly killed and in that state tied up by the thumbs and flogged, and then, for safety, shut up in the powder magazine. Capt. Stewart's reply to me was that I was there to preach the gospel and not to interfere with their treatment of the Indians. He told me that he would see I had no congregation on Sunday and he was as good as his word. 2. I then reported the case to the naval commander at Esquimalt and H.M.S. Plumper. Capt. Richards was sent to Nanaimo to investigate the matter. After Capt. Richards had fully looked into the affair he decided on taking Capt. Stewart to Victoria, but I begged him not to do so, but instead, to take from me a despatch to the chief factor, who was Capt. Stewart,s head officer. This he did, giving also his own personal testimony of the affair to that gentleman. I may say that Capt. Richards said to me "As long as the Union Jack floats over me so long will I protect every man, whether he be white or Indian." 3. An answer to my despatch came speedily from that most honorable of men, Mr. Dallas, the chief factor. He in it condemned the whole of the brutal proceedings and severely censured the officer in charge, Capt. Stewart. As a proof of his approval of my course, he authorised me to take possession of a parsonage intended for another denomination, and to stake out as much land as I pleased around it, and one garden. Also, I was to select whatever lots I pleased for a church in the centre of the townsite. That property is still there as a proof of what I assert. I am sorry for Mr. Horne has thought best to refer to things which certainly can only be remembered with sorrow. It was not the principal men of the H. B. Co. which did these things but men who "dressed in a little brief authority," did such things as no one can excuse. A. BROWNING.

THE KENNEL CLUB.

Sir:—Kindly allow me space in your widely read publication to protest against the recent action of the Victoria Kennel Club. These gentlemen formed an association but a few weeks ago, for the object of holding a dog show, and, incidentally, to keep up the interest in dogs and dog breeding. At their last meeting they passed a motion barring out imported dogs, whether owned in the province of British Columbia or not, from competing for the special prizes (and, by the way, the special prizes are the only one worth competing for); a most unsportsmanlike, unbusiness-like and selfish motion. Under such a ruling there is no encouragement for the man owning an imported dog, or for an outsider to go to the expense of showing his dog. A man owning an imported dog and exhibiting it may win first prize for the best dog in his class, and yet an inferior dog, because it is bred in British Columbia, may be placed over him and given the special prize. Besides, what satisfaction is it for an exhibitor to have his dog placed over a superior imported dog just because it was bred in British Columbia. No, Mr. Editor, I say let every dog be placed on an equal footing; let the best dog win, and give him everything he is entitled to, whether he is locally bred or imported. Victoria dogs are not so well bred yet that they can do without outside assistance to keep up the standard of the breed, and until such a time as they are, let us encourage importations as much as possible. Thanking you for your space. T. P. McCONNELL.

WAR GRATUITIES.

They Were Originally Given in Lieu of Prize Money.

A correspondent of the London Times points out that the distribution of a gratuity to the troops, after a successful campaign, such as was provided in the War Office order recently published, appears to be a practice of undefined origin. It found early precedent in the cases in which a gratuity had been given to the men in lieu of prize money. But even at the present time there is no fixed rule which covers this small tax upon the nation in recognition of the services of its troops. Turning back to the campaigns of the last forty-five years, "gratuities" have been awarded, under several denominations, and for various reasons. They appeared after the Crimea as a "field allowance" awarded for "bravery and endurance in the field." In the first China war (1857) all the troops engaged were sent from India, and received throughout the campaign Indian pay and allowances. In this instances "batta," as it is called in India, is sure to have been given as the Indian authorities have always been liberal in the matter of pay for military services, and it is probable that the system of granting gratuities originated with the East India Company. But whether it was given as an extra reward to, or in lieu of, prize money is uncertain. That for special service in the field individual units received from the East India Company monetary rewards is unquestionable, as the writer mentions an instance in which an old ex-sepoy, pointing to his flourishing farm said that he had purchased the ground with his share of the "batta" which was awarded to his regiment for capturing a Sikh battery on the bloody field of Chillanwala. But though more recently the home authorities may have preferred to say that the gratuity was given in lieu of prize money, they have constantly made the additional grant to those British troops which have served with Indian contingents, owing to the discontent which has been aroused among the former by the more liberal pay and allowances of the latter. This was the case in 1858 with regard to service in China, when the discrepancy was forcibly pointed out. The demand was acceded to and the rate of pay to British troops improved. This allowance was over and above the prize money which accrued.

During the operations in the New Zealand campaign of 1860, the general in command took upon himself to issue what was termed "field pay" on the same scale as had been awarded in the Crimea. Although the authorities objected, a refund was not demanded, but the Crimea warrant on the subject was cancelled. After the campaign in Abyssinia, 1867-68, the "gratuity" cropped up with a new title; it was called "donation batta," and was equivalent to six months' Indian pay. As the records state that this "batta" was given "in accordance with Indian rules and precedent," it may fairly be accepted that the Indian authorities made a custom of giving a certain percentage of pay as a reward, in proportion to the length of the campaign. The gold crown alone was valued at £2,000. With the Red River campaign of 1869 comes another procedure, with the result that an additional monetary advantage accrued to the troops engaged. A special ration was issued free of stoppages. This was equivalent to a money grant of about 4½d. a day. The reasons for this allowance were: "The severity of the labor entailed upon the troops in the transport of the baggage and stores through the country traversed by them, and in lieu of working pay to which they would otherwise have been entitled." In 1873 on the West Coast of Africa the gratuity appears under a new title. "Climate pay" was allowed to sergeants and non-commissioned officers at the rate of 1s. per day. This was granted rather on account of the climate than on other grounds, and probably would not have been given if "Climate pay" had not been previously allowed to troops permanently employed on the west coast. It was granted in addition to a special ration adapted to the climate, and a further "gratuity" of thirty days' pay at the conclusion of the campaign. With regard to this latter gratuity, it is distinctly stated that it was allotted in lieu of prize money. But it was more than this, as the prize money realized did not nearly reach the total sum divided.

The Perak expedition, 1875-77, was the occasion for much official quibbling over the question. As troops both from India and from home stations were employed, the old sore of the different emoluments for identical service arose. "Extra batta" was refused, but the India Office temporized by giving a "gratuity" under the title of "working pay," and as it seemed hard on the British troops that they should receive no analogous advantage, the home authorities agreed to allow the British troops a gratuity equivalent to 9d. a day. After the campaign in South Africa in 1877-80, no special remuneration was given. In 1879 an application was put forward for a gratuity, but it was found that a certain amount of prize money, the proceeds of the sale of captured cattle, had been realized, and the troops had to rest satisfied with this. After the Egyptian campaign of 1882 we find the first instance of a bona fide gratuity fixed on the share basis, similar to that which is to be awarded to the troops that have taken part in the present campaign in South Africa. The reason assigned for paying this gratuity is that the troops had suffered "great fatigue," and had been subjected to much privation. They were awarded a gratuity at the rate of £2 per share, the number of shares being regulated according to the rank of the recipient. The same procedure was carried out for the campaign in the Soudan in 1884. The troops were rewarded in consequence of this "fatigue, privation and exertion," entailed.

About this period the treasury attempted to formulate a permanent scheme for regulating the grant of gratuities in recognition of war services. But the scheme failed to gain the approval of the military authorities. A precedent was, however, established, for we find that in the case of the troops which took part in the Nile campaign of 1885 a grant in £5 shares were issued, with £2 shares for the troops at Suakim. The Indian government adopted the system and the men took part in the Burmah expedition in the same year received a bonus on the £2 basis. In 1894 a small gratuity was granted after the Sofa expedition. This was equivalent to about one month's pay. In 1896 the precedent of the Sofa expedition was followed in the grant of a gratuity for the Ashanti expedition. For the Soudan expedition, 1898, the gratuity unit was fixed at 30s for each phase of the operations. Thus the troops which were present at the Atbara and eventually went on to Omdurman received their gratuity on a £3 basis.

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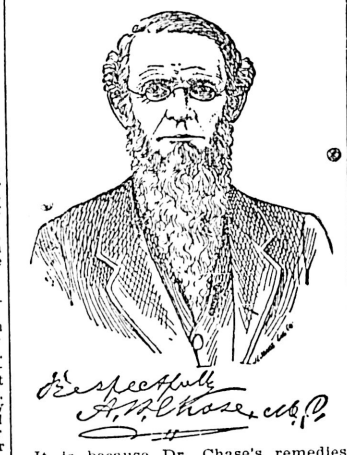

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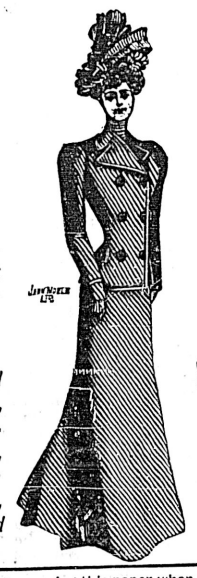

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Finance and Commerce

BRADSTREET'S.

Toronto, Jan. 25.—Bradstreet's to-morrow will say: "Business conditions at Montreal have been steadily improving this week, and in most departments of trade a larger volume of business is reported. There have been special features to note in price movements outside of further declines in refined sugars. The mills and other manufactories are busy and appear to have all the orders they can take care of at present. Business conditions have, to some extent, been disturbed by the great fire which took place in the middle of the week, and retailers may have to exercise a dole patience in regard to getting orders filled, but no very serious circumstances are likely to result. The insurance was large and any inconvenience caused by the fire, will in most cases be merely temporary. There is a good demand for funds, and rates are steady. There has been a fair movement in wholesale trade at Toronto this week, travellers are reporting a very fair amount of orders for the coming season, and are keeping the volume of trade booked so far well up to what it was last year at this date. The wholesale firms look for a large movement in staple goods the coming season, and have made preparations on a large scale. The conditions of the markets for both the raw material and the finished products in most departments are healthy, and in some cases, where weakness was formerly apparent, prices are showing a stronger undertone. There were no striking features in the wholesale market this week. Payments are fair. Wholesale trade at Winnipeg has been somewhat on the quiet side the past two or three weeks, but this week has shown a marked tendency towards improvement. The trade at the large Coast centres is showing some revival after the temporary derangement caused in some departments by the great snowfall and blockade, and the future is by no means discouraging to business men. There is a good demand for money. Preparations are being made for a large amount of work the coming summer in the way of prospecting and the demand for supplies of various sorts in the next few months will doubtess be large."

ON WALL STREET.

New York, Jan. 25.—Prices traversed a considerable range to-day from the low level to the top covering a point for a large number of stocks, and ranging from 2 to 3½ for some of the most prominent and most active stocks in the list. The early decline in prices was assisted by London's disposition to sell American stock which had established declines ranging up to nearly a point in seme of the American stocks before the opening here. The New York market opened depressed in sympathy and weakness was rather acute in some cases, notably in St. Paul and Brooklyn Rapid Transit. The stocks later in the day led the advance, so that their extreme range was wide.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Jan. 25.—The closing quotations to-day on the Stock Exchange were as follows:

American Tobacco Co.	114¾
American Sugar	134¼
Anaconda Mining Co.	41⅝
Atcheson, Topeka & Santa Fe	45⅝
Atcheson, Topeka & Santa Fe, pfd.	85
American Steel & Wire	40⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	87⅜
Baltimore & Ohio, pfd.	84⅝
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	142
Chicago Gas	99
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific	119⅛
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	148½
Continental Tobacco	44⅛
Continental Tobacco, pfd.	94
Colorado Fuel & Iron	44⅝
C. C. C. & St. L.	74
Federal Steel	48¾
Glucose Co.	48
Illinois Central	130
Kansas & Texas, pfd.	51½
Louisville & Nashville	88⅞
Manhattan Elevator	114¼
Missouri Pacific	86
National Lead	17¼
National Lead, pfd.	85¼
Northern Pacific	82
Northern Pacific, pfd.	85¾
N. Y. L. E. & W. 2nd pfd.	40¼
N. Y. L. E. & W. 1st pfd.	63⅝
New York, Ontario & Western	31
Pressed Steel	37
Philadelphia & Reading	31¾
Southern Railway	19⅞
Southern Pacific	43⅜
Tennessee Coal & Iron	57½
Texas Pacific	28
Twin City	68¼
U. S. Leather	12⅜
Union Pacific	82⅝
Union Pacific, pfd.	82⅞
Wabash	13⅜
Wabash, pfd.	27⅝
Western Union	83
Commercial Cable	166
C. P. R. in London	90¾

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CHICAGO MARKETS.

Chicago, Jan. 25.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Jan. 74½; Feb. 74⅝; May 76⅞ to 77. Corn—Jan. 37½; Feb. 37¾; May 39½. Oats—Jan. 24; May 25¾ to 25½.

BANK CLEARINGS.

New York, Jan. 25.—The bank clearings for the week for the principal cities of the Dominion were as follows:

Montreal—$15,266,859; 13.5 p.c. inc. Toronto—$10,758,732; 23.4 p.c. inc. Winnipeg—$1,882,508; 3.5 p.c. dec. Halifax—$1,582,470; 31.5 p.c. inc. Hamilton—$693,126; 14.1 p.c. dec. St. John, N.B.—$641,216; 16.7 p.c. inc. Vancouver—$693,207; 12.6 p.c. inc. Victoria—$679,320; 18 p.c. inc. Totals, $32,197, 528; 11.9 p.c. inc.

TORONTO STOCK QUOTATIONS.

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Toronto, Jan. 25.—The closing quotations to-day were as follows.

	Asked.	Bid.
B. C. Gold Fields	3¼	3
Black Tail	11½	10
Brandon and Golden C	8	4
Canadian G. F. S.	7½	7¼
Cariboo McKinney	60	30
Cariboo Hydraulic	1.60	1.45
Centre Star	1.25	80
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	70.00	60.00
California	6	5
Deer Trail Con	3	2¼
Evening Star	8	5
Fairview Corp	3½	3¼
Golden Star	2⅝	2⅜
Iron Mask	45	38¼
Jim Blaine	8	4
Knob Hill	52	38
Granby Smelter	45	43
Montreal and London	6	3½
Morning Glory	9	6
Morrison	5¾	5⅝
Mountain Lion	50	30
North Star	89	85
Olive	11	8
Payne	51	47
Rambler Cariboo Con	31	29½
Republic	50	48
Slocan Sovereign	10	6
Van Anda	2¼	1¾
Virtue	27½	25
Waterloo	2¾	2⅝
White Bear	4⅝	4½
Winnipeg	4	3¼
Sullivan	13	12¼

FORENOON SALES.

Fairview—1,000 at 3⅝.
Hammond Reef—2,000 at 1⅜.
White Bear—1,000 at 4½; 500 at 4⅝.
Morrison—2,000 at 5¾.
B. C. G. F.—500 at 3⅛.
Iron Mask—500 at 39½.
Cariboo McKinney—500 at 38.

AFTERNOON SALES.

Fairview—500 at 3¼.
Morrison—5,000 at 5¼.
Republic—2,000 at 48½.
White Bear—1,000 at 4⅝; 5,000 at 4¼.
Granby Smelter—1,000 at 43½; 1,000 at 43¼.
Hammond Reef—3,000 at 1⅜.
C. G. F. S.—500 at 7⅝.

DAILY MARKET QUOTATIONS.

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New York, Jan. 25.—The following quotations ruled on the Produce Exchange to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	80½	80½	80	80
Corn—				
May	44½	45	44	44¼

New York, Jan. 25.—The following quotations ruled on the Stock Exchange to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amn. Sugar	132⅜	134¾	132¼	134¾
Amn. Tob.	114	115¼	114	114¾
P. G., Chicago	98⅛	99¼	98⅛	99
C. M. & St. P.	146	149½	145¾	149¼
C. B. & Q.	141⅜	142¼	141⅜	142¼
M. S. R.	113	114¾	113	114½
C. R. I. & P.	118¼	119¼	118¼	119¼
B. R. T.	76	77½	75	76¾
A. & S. F. pfd.	83¾	85	83¾	85
S. P., com	42¾	43½	42¾	43½
A. S. & W. com.	39¼	41	39¼	40⅝
B. & O.	86½	87½	86½	87¼
L. & N.	87⅝	88⅞	87⅝	88⅞
Con. Tob.	44	44⅝	43¾	44¼
Fed. Steel	47	49	46½	48¼
N. P. com	80½	82¾	80½	82¾
T. C. & I.	56¾	57¾	56½	57¼
A. & S. F. com.	44¾	45¾	44¾	45¾
W. U.	82¼	83¼	82½	88

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LIVING RACES OF MANKIND.

When Europeans first settled in Australia the native population was probably about 150,000 persons. It has been rapidly diminishing ever since those days; and no wonder for the whites have taken the best of the land and destroyed much of the game on which the blacks chiefly lived. Civilization, alas! brought disease and vice in its train. Consumption, measles, small-pox, have had a large share in the work of destruction. The adoption of clothing, with all primitive people ,undoubtedly induces a great deal of lung disease. This may at first appear incredible, but it has been clearly proved. There is a right way and a wrong way in everything; and clothing, which is a great protection if rightly used, is only a source of discomfort and danger to the creature that is unaccustomed to it. The poor ignorant savage does not appreciate it, and would much rather be without clothes. When he does adopt clothes, he frequently casts them aside just when they might be of the greatest service in protecting the body from cold. Lying down to sleep at night in a damp place without the covering he has worn throughout the day, he courts the very diseases which are most fatal to native races. It is just the same in New Guinea, in Polynesia, and in most of the Pacific Islands, where consumption is working terrible havoc.

In the year 1851 the number of Australian Aborigines was estimated at 55,000. In 1893 they were put down at from 30,000 to 40,000. The government has taken some steps to endeavor to mitigate the grave evils inflicted on the native population—evils for which the white people were clearly responsible. But its action came too late. Between the years 1821 and 1842 the sum of £80,000 was spent in the endeavor to protect and improve the condition of the natives. The Society for the protection of Aborigines has also been fully engaged in this work. Native schools were founded in Adelaide and elsewhere, and liberally supported. But now the Adelaide tribe is extinct.

Inferior races must of course give way and make room for those that are more highly civilized; but it is sad to think how much cruelty, vice, and wickedness is involved in the process. When Mr. Lloyd first landed in Geelong, in the year 1837, the Barrabool tribe numbered nearly 300; and fine looking fellows they were. When he went away in 1853, there were not many left. Seeing so few natives about he began to make inquries about some of his dark friends of early days. The reply he received is so pathetic that we give as far as possible the very words: "Aha, Mitter Looyed! Ballyyang dead, Jaga-jaga dead, Panigerong dead (and many others they named.) The stranger white man came in his great swimming vessel, and landed with his large animals and his little animals. He came with his 'boomhooms' (double-barrelled guns) and his tents, and the great white strangre took away the long inherited hunting grounds of the poor Barrabool coolies and their children." Then, weeping shaking their heads, and holding up their hands in the bitterness of their sorrow, they exclaimed: "Coolie, coolie, coolie! Where are our coolies now? Where are our fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters? Dead, all gone! dead!"

In most places the blacks go about almost naked in the summer season, even in Central and Southern Australia, where the climate is changeable. What little they wear partakes more of the nature of ornament than clothing. But during the cold season garments are necessary. The chief article of a man's wardrobe is a girdle of plaited grass or bast; sometimes the hair of an animal may be used for this purpose, or even the hair of another man. In which case it is generally considered a charm. Women at times wear an apron of emus' feathers. A man's girdle serves to carry his digging stick, his axe or his boomerang. Hats are altogether dispensed with, but the head may be decorated with teeth, fish-bones, feathers, or the bushy tail of an animal. Some twist the hair with string painted red, and decorated with the feathers of an emu, a cockatoo, or the tail of a dog. The younger men are particularly fond of ornaments for the neck, made of mother-of-pearl, teeth of various kinds, crabs' claws, bits of reed or straw, but the old men despise such things. In the south during the cold season men and women cover themselves with the skins of kangaroos, wearing them like sacks. They have no sense of shame; clothing and modesty in their eyes are not connected. There is a story of a girl who was presented by a lady with a petticoat. This she wore and displayed with some pride to her own people; they, however, only jeered at her for wearing clothes like the white strangers and the consequence was that in a few days the petticoat was laid aside and the girl went about naked as before.

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2. Declaring that members in the said Provincial Corporation, on the said 2nd day of May, 1889, became on the said date members in the said Dominion Corporation and subject to the Constitution and Laws of the said Dominion Corporation from time to time in force;

3. For the following and other amendments to its Act of Incorporation and Amending Act—

(a) Amending Section 4 of Chapter 104 of the Statutes of 1889 as amended by Chapter 51 of the Statutes of 1896, Section 1, respecting the powers of the Order to hold real property in order to harmonize the said section with Chapter 120 of the Ontario Statutes of 1896 by providing that the value of the real property which the Supreme Court of the Independent Order of Foresters (exclusive of its branches) may hold shall not exceed in the whole at any time the annual value of twenty thousand dollars.

(b) Amending Section 6 of the said Chapter 104 of the Statutes of 1889 by providing that the surplus funds of the Society may in addition to the securities specified in the said section be invested in any of the securities authorized by Section 50 of the Insurance Act.

(c) Amending Sub-section 3 of Section 4 of the said Chapter 51 of the Statutes of 1896 by providing that the annual statement of the condition of affairs of the Order required by the said sub-section to be made by the Supreme Chief Ranger and the Supreme Secretary may be made in the absence of the Supreme Chief Ranger by the Past Supreme Chief Ranger or by the Supreme Vice Chief Ranger.

(d) Amending Sub-section 7 of Section 4 of the said Chapter 51 of the Statutes of 1896 (which provides that the applications and certificates used by the Order in Canada shall have conspicuously thereon the words "This Society is not required by law to maintain the reserve which is required of ordinary life insurance Companies.")) by substituting the words "This Fraternal Benefit Society," for the words "This Society."

(e) Amending Sub-Section 8 of Section 4 of the said Chapter 51 of the Statutes of 1896 (which provides that the words "Assessment system" shall be printed in large type at the head of every policy and every application circular and advertisement) by substituting the words "Fraternal Benefit Society System" for the words "Assessment System."

(f) Amending the said Chapter 51 of the Statutes of 1896, Section 10, by substituting the word "Taxes" for the words "Capitation Tax," in the second and tenth lines of the said Section.

(g) Declaring the short title of The Supreme Court of the Independent Order of Foresters to be "The Independent Order of Foresters."

Dated at Toronto, this 20th day of November, 1900.

JOHN A. McGILLIVRAY, Q.C.,
Solicitor for the Applicant.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT.

Pursuant to the Creditors' Trusts Deeds Act and Amending Acts.

Notice is hereby given that Abraham Nichols Rahy, carrying on business at premises numbered 97, Douglas street, in the city of Victoria, British Columbia, as dry goods merchant and trader, under the name of A. N. Rahy, by deed of assignment for the benefit of creditors, bearing date the 3rd day of January, A.D. 1901, made in pursuance of the Creditors' Trust Deeds Act and Amending Acts, has granted and assigned unto Thomas Cashmore of Victoria, British Columbia, merchant, all his real and personal estate of whatsoever nature and kind in trust to pay the creditors of the said A. N. Rahy, rateably and proportionately their just claims without preference or priority according to law.

The said deed of assignment was executed by the said A. N. Rahy and Thomas Cashmore on the 3rd day of January, A.D., 1901.

All persons having claims against the said A. N. Rahy are required on or before the 22nd day of January A.D. 1901, to forward to the trustee, full particulars of their claims, duly verified, and the nature of their securities, if any, held by them.

And notice is hereby given that after the said 22nd day of January, A.D. 1901, the trustee will proceed to distribute the assets of the estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which the trustees shall then have had notice, and that the said trustee will not be responsible for the assets or any part thereof so distributed to any person or persons, firm or corporation, of whose debt or claim he shall not then have had notice.

A meeting of the creditors will be held on Tuesday, the twenty-second day of January A. D. 1901, at the hour of three o'clock in the afternoon at the office of Messrs. McPhillips, Wootton & Barnard, solicitors, Bank of Montreal Chambers, Bastion Street in the city of Victoria, British Columbia.

Dated this 3rd day of January, A. D. 1901.

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Trustee.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Coquitlam, Maple Ridge, and Pitt Meadows Dyking Districts.

Sluice Gates

Sealed alternative tenders for Concrete and Wooden Sluice Gates, superscribed "Tender for Concrete Sluice Gate" and "Tender for Wooden Sluice Gate," will be received by the undersigned up to Saturday, the 2nd February next, for the erection and completion of six sluice gates in the dykes of the above mentioned Districts.

Drawings, specifications, and form of contract may be seen at the office of the Inspector of Dykes, Lands and Works Department, Victoria, and at the office of the Provincial Government Timber Inspector, Court House, Vancouver, on and after the 16th instant.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the undersigned, for the sum of fifteen hundred ($1,500.00) dollars, as security for the due fulfilment of the contract, which cheque shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques of unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied and signed with the actual signature of the tenderers. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

F. C. GAMBLE.
Inspector of Dykes.

Office Inspector of Dykes.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B.C., 4th January, 1901.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

PRIVATE BILL NOTICE.

The time limited by the Rules of the House for receiving petitions for Private Bills will expire on the 2nd day of March, 1901.

Bills must be presented to the House not later than the 13th day of March, 1901.

Reports from Committees on Private Bills will not be received after the 20th day of March, 1901.

Dated the 19th day of January, 1901.

THORNTON FELL.
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

Copy of a Report of a Committee of the Honorable the Executive Council, approved by His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor on the 16th day of January, 1901.

On the recommendation of the Honorable the Attorney-General, and under the provisions of the "Jurors Act" (Chapter 107, section 27, R. S.)

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, by and with the advice of the Executive Council, doth order as follows:

That a Special Sittings of the Selectors of Jurors for the County of Victoria, be held in the Court House in the City of Victoria, on Monday the 4th day of February, 1901, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of selecting the names of the requisite number of persons to serve as Grand and Petit Jurors for the County of Victoria during the year 1901.

J. D. PRENTICE.
Clerk, Executive Council.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session for an Act to incorporate a company with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate either a standard or narrow gauge railway for the purpose of carrying passengers and freight, including all kinds of merchandise from a point in Wellington District, thence northerly to a point in Comox District, Vancouver Island, situate on or near the 50th parallel of latitude, on or near to the east coast of Vancouver Island, thence northrly through Sayward and Rupert Districts to Cape Scott, Vancouver Island, or to some other point at or near to the north end of Vancouver Island, with power to construct, operate and maintain branch lines to the coast on either side of Vancouver Island, and to other points and all necessary roads, bridges, ways and ferries, and to build, own and maintain wharves, docks, sawmills and coal bunkers, and with power to build, equip, own, maintain and operate steam and other vessels and boats, and to operate the same on any navigable waters connecting with the said railway line, or branches thereof, and with power to build, own, equip, operate and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to carry on a general express business, and to build and operate all kinds of plant for the purpose of supplying light, heat, electricity and any kind of motive power, and with power to acquire water rights, and to construct dams and flumes for improving and increasing the water privileges, and with power to expropriate lands for the purpose of the company and to acquire lands bonuses, privileges and other aids from any government, municipal corporation, or other persons or bodies corporate, and with power to lease and to connect and make traffic and other arrangements with railway, steamboat or other companies now or hereafter to be incorporated, and with power to make wagon roads to be used in the construction of such railway and in advance of the same and to levy and collect tolls from all persons using, and on all freight passing over said railway and such roads, branches, ferries, wharves and vessels built or owned by the company, whether built or owned before or after the construction of the railway, and with all other usual, necessary or incidental rights, powers and privileges as may be necessary or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 27th day of December, A.D. 1900.

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To our faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—Greeting.

A PROCLAMATION.

H. A. MACLEAN,
Deputy Attorney-General.

Whereas We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet our people of our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of our loving subjects, we have thought fit, by and with the advice of our executive council do hereby convoke and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Thursday, the Twenty-first day of February, one thousand nine hundred and one, you meet us in our said Legislature or Parliament of our said Province, at our City of Victoria, for the DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the common council of our said Province may, by the favor of God be ordained.

In Testimony Whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed; witness, the Honorable Sir Henri Gustave Joly de Lotbiniere, K.C.M.G., Lieutenant-Governor of our said Province of British Columbia, in our City of Victoria, in our said Province, this seventeenth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and one, and in the sixty-fourth year of our reign.

By Command.

J. D. PRENTICE.
Provincial Secretary.

TENDERS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Highway Bridge, Kettle River, Columbia, B. C.

Sealed tenders, superscribed "Tenders for Bridge, Kettle River, Columbia, B. C.," will be received by the undersigned up to and including Saturday, the 9th February next for the construction and completion of a wooden highway bridge across the Kettle River at Columbia, B. C.

Drawings, specifications and form of contract may be seen on application to Mr. J. A. Dinsmore, Provincial Constable, Grand Forks, B. C., and at the Lands and Work Department, Victoria, B. C., on and after the 14th inst.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque or certificate of deposit on a chartered bank of Canada, made payable to the undersigned, for the sum of eight hundred ($800) dollars, which cheque shall be forfeited if the party tendering decline to enter into contract when called upon to do so, of if he fail to complete the work contracted for. The cheques of unsuccessful tenders will be returned to them upon the execution of the contract.

Tenders will not be considered unless made out on the forms supplied and signed with the actual signatures of the tenderers.

Tht lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE.

Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works, Lands and Works Department.

NOTICE RESPECTING THE REBATE ON EXPORTED TIMBER.

Notice is hereby given that the intimation dated 3rd December, 1900, under this heading is rescinded, and that under the authority of an Order in Council of the 8th instant the payment of a rebate on all timber exported beyond the limits of the Province was allowed to and was discontinued from and after the 31st of December, 1900. The said order of the 8th instant further provides for the payment of a rebate on shingles exported.

J. D. PRENTICE,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
10th January, 1901.

TENDERS.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Highway Bridge, North Fork Kettle River, at Hardy's Crossing

Sealed tenders superscribed "Tender for Bridge, North Fork Kettle River," will be received by the undersigned up to and including Saturday, the 9th February next, for the construction and completion of a wooden highway bridge across the North Fork of Kettle River at Hardy's Crossing.

Drawings, specifications and forms of contract may be seen on application to Mr. J. A. Dinsmore, Provincial Constable, Grand Forks, B. C., and at the Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., on and after the 14th instant.

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Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 4th January, 1901.

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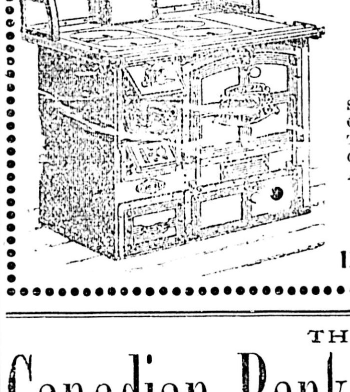

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THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, Jan. 25.—8 p.m.

SYNOPSIS.

The high barometer area which was approaching the Coast yesterday is slowly crossing the North Pacific States while over Northern British Columbia the barometer is comparatively low. The weather is fair from the Straits of Fuca southward to California; rain is falling on the Lower Mainland, and snow between the Ranges. From Alberta to Manitoba the weather is fair and mild.

TEMPERATURES.

Victoria	32	40
New Westminster	34	36
Kamloops	26	30
Barkerville	10	22
Calgary	24	28
Winnipeg	22	20
Portland Ore.	36	44
San Francisco, Cal.	42	56

FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m.—(Pacific time)—Saturday:

Victoria and vicinity: Winds, mostly east or south; unsettled and mild, with occasional showers.

Lower Mainland: Winds, mostly easterly; unsettled, with rain or sleet.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, Jan. 25.

	Deg.		Deg.
5 a.m.	33	Mean	35
Noon	37	Highest	40
5 p.m.	40	Lowest	31

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m.....4 miles north.
Noon.....2 miles north.
5 p.m.....4 miles southeast.

Average state of weather—Cloudy.
Rain—.01 inch.
Barometer at noon—Observed.....30.190
Corrected.....30.212

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Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected.....30.24

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VICTORIA TIDES.

For the Month of January, 1901.

(Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and 18.3 feet above the sill of the Esquimalt Dry Dock.

The time used is Pacific Standard for the 120th Meridian West. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight. The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

Date.	Day.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.	Time.	Ht.
		h. m	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	Tu..	2 58	7.1	4 33	7.1	10 24	9.6	18 36	1.4
2	W...	4 03	7.7	5 35	7.6	11 04	9.7	19 17	0.9
3	Th..	4 53	8.0	6 38	7.8	11 45	9.7	19 59	0.7
4	F...	5 29	8.2	7 40	7.9	12 28	9.5	20 42	0.7
5	Sa...	5 54	8.2	8 40	7.8	13 13	9.2	21 24	1.0
6	S...	6 10	8.2	9 38	7.5	14 01	8.7	22 04	1.4
7	M...	6 18	8.2	10 35	7.1	14 51	8.1	22 42	2.0
8	Tu...	6 23	8.2	11 34	6.7	15 44	7.4	23 19	2.7
9	W...	6 37	8.2	12 40	6.3	16 42	6.7	23 55	3.9
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12	Sa..	1 03	5.0	7 57	8.4	17 38	4.6	....	..
13	S...	....	..	8 29	8.5	17 54	4.0	....	..
14	M...	....	..	9 00	8.6	18 09	3.5	....	..
15	Tu..	....	..	9 30	8.8	18 27	3.0	....	..
16	W..	....	..	9 59	8.9	18 49	2.5	....	..
17	Th..	....	..	10 30	9.1	19 17	2.0	....	..
18	F...	....	..	11 10	9.2	19 51	1.5	....	..
19	Sa...	6 41	8.0	7 22	8.0	11 59	9.2	20 30	1.2
20	S....	5 50	8.0	8 27	7.8	12 56	9.0	21 11	1.2
21	M...	5 39	8.0	9 22	7.4	14 01	8.9	21 53	1.4
22	Tu..	5 36	8.2	10 13	6.8	15 00	8.4	22 34	1.9
23	W...	5 50	8.3	11 10	6.2	16 20	7.8	23 14	2.6
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31	Th..	3 49	7.9	5 40	7.8	10 35	9.3	19.02	1.4

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Williams Vs the B. A. C.

The Plaintiff Is in the Witness Box Most of the Day.

Sharp Cross Examination as to What Took Place at Meetings.

Interest in the famous case of Williams v. the B. A. C., the trial of which is now proceeding in the Supreme court, before Mr. Justice Drake, is increasing. The major portion of yesterday's issue was taken up by Mr. Davis' cross-examination of the plaintiff, Williams, who proved quite able to take care of himself under the severe fire he was subjected to by the brilliant lawyer from Vancouver.

To Mr. Davis, Mr. Williams said he was court stenographer in Spokane from 1888 to 1896. His interest in the present action was about $30,000. To the Englishes the suit was worth about $900,000. Mr. Henley was interested to the extent of $46,000, and the two Peytons, $370,000. All were witnesses.

At the time of the agreement in London to sell the mine to the B. A. C. for $3,000,000, they all wanted to sell. They expected not only to get $6 per share, but 10 per cent. of the matte shipment to the smelter. Witness admitted that they were all so anxious to sell that he was sent up to Rossland on a special train. The Turner faction had stated that witness had stolen the books and seal. He had taken the books, as he had a right to do, but not the seal.

He owned one-thirtieth of the mine, which had cost $30,000. At the time it was considered advisable to sell, the shareholders were in "hot water"—that is, there was a pool of the majority of the stock, of which the Turners were two of the three trustees. The Peytons were striving to break the pool, so that they could control their own stock. The Turners took out an injunction to prevent the pool being broken.

Mr. Davis wanted to know why the majority stockholders could consider themselves as entitled to more for their stock than the minority. Witness replied, it was a mere business proposition.

Witness said there was only one meeting before the 27th of June, at which he was present. Subsequently there was a meeting in Heyburn's office at which he was present. Afterwards the contract form was drawn, which he witnessed. He signed one document ratifying this contract, but it was never completed. This agreement lapsed, if the Le Roi shareholders ratified the deal. There were clauses in this agreement which he considered improper.

Mr. Davis asked why he signed it, if that were so? Witness replied that they were asking the advice of Wakefield, though the latter was not acting as witness' attorney.

Mr. Davis thought it strange that Wakefield signed for the largest shareholder (Mr. Peyton) without knowing the terms of the contract.

Witness replied that one reason was that if the full terms became known, the Turners would make it the basis of a restraining order. Wakefield was kept in ignorance of the terms of the agreement.

At this stage the court adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mr. Davis continued his cross-examination of Mr. Williams in the afternoon. Witness swore that Mr. Mackintosh had not said he would not buy out the Turner interests without consulting the Peyton interest or without their consent. The only advice he (witness) had for not carrying out the contract was from Mr. Wakefield. He had a conversation with him after Wakefield had said: "It's all off." The contract did not specify when the first payment was to be made. That was the way he read it. The allusion to the date of payment was very ambiguous. Peyton had authority to sign the contract.

Asked why he did not raise objections before signing, witness replied, he did not know. One objection was that the stock was to be placed in a British Columbia bank.

Witness declined to state that the reason why Wakefield objected was because Wakefield knew that it was not provided in the agreement that extra money was not to be paid to the majority stockholders.

Mr. Davis asserted that witness had sworn so time and time again.

Mr. Bodwell objected to this, and Mr. Davis, in reply, had the stenographer's notes read, and claimed that his point was proven.

Witness declined to say whether he had sworn to it or not, and explained that the trustee business was left out of the contract, and other clauses were objectionable.

Wakefield never acted as witness' attorney, and never had. His signing of the contract was a business proposition, and he agreed to sign for Col. Peyton upon the advice of the other stockholders. Mr. Davis thought it strange that Wakefield would agree to sign the terms of the contract.

Witness did not remember having communicated to Judge Heyburn the terms of the contract. He took a receipt from Mr. Wakefield for the stocks which he turned over to him. (Receipt produced, which witness identified.)

Mr. Davis asked why he did not avoid the danger of any lawsuits before proceeding with any other documents. Witness contradicted his evidence of the morning, which, when read, showed that he said he feared lawsuits owing to the omission from the contract of the provision for extra pay. Witness knew the terms, in Rossland, at which he was selling, but not from Mr. Mackintosh.

Mr. Davis read from a report of a trial at Rossland, in which witness was made to say that his shares were under option to the B. A. C. Wakefield was authorized to carry out the agreement with the B. A. C. Mr. Davis read the escrow agreement between Wakefield and the stockholders, showing that the shares were to be disposed of at $6 per share. The receipt which was given Wakefield by witness on getting his money was read by Mr. Davis, a lengthily-worded document, in which no reference was made to any further sum which might be expected. Mr. Davis thought the omission very strange.

Witness replied that Mr. Wakefield had simply performed his part of the contract—the shares were not sold under the escrow agreement—in the sense that they were finally disposed of.

On the question of the value of the Le Roi mine, the price would of course, be affected by the success of the operations—but witness considered $3,000,000 a fair price. If the minority interests could not be acquired for 20 years and shares went to $20 each the majority shareholders would expect to get the difference between $6 and $20.

Witness then recited again, at Mr. Davis' request, what occurred at the interview with Governor Mackintosh at Peyton's office at Spokane. Producing the letter which Peyton had written on that occasion, outlining an offer of release to Mr. Mackintosh, witness was subjected to a severe cross-examination by Mr. Davis on the question of what Mr. Mackintosh had sent by cable on the letter having been read and signed. Witness did not know what was in the cable.

Reading the letter, Mr. Davis got an admission from witness that permission was given Mackintosh, in one of the clauses, to purchase the balance of the Le Roi stock at whatever figure he could agree upon. All of the letter had been read to Mr. Mackintosh, though the latter claimed that the last clause had not. That clause contained a stipulation that more money was to be paid the majority holders if more than $6 was paid the Turner interests.

Mr. Davis wanted to know why witness did not ask Mr. Mackintosh what price he would have to pay the Turner faction?

Witness replied he did not know; he had an intimation what it would be. None of the other stockholders interested in the deal had, to his knowledge, made inquiries as to what the price would be.

This concluded Mr. Davis' cross-examination.

Mr. Bodwell asked Mr. Williams if he had a competence outside of what he would get if he won the suit. Witness replied that he had enough to "eat regularly." He afterwards said he owned a block in Spokane worth over $250,000.

D. N. Henley attorney-at-law at Spokane, was the next witness. He was present at a meeting in Spokane with Mr. Mackintosh and Valentine Peyton. There was some talk about what would be done if the sale was not confirmed. Mr. Mackintosh talked about buying a majority of the stock, and witness said the majority would sell at $6, if they were paid what Mackintosh was compelled to pay the Turner faction. Gov. Mackintosh said "Certainly, I will pay you that. We will not injure our friends and reward our enemies." An arrangement was also made at the same time to turn over the stock to Mr. Wakefield, on trust, to hold anticipating the closing of the deal. Wakefield was to hold the stock subject to instructions.

At this stage the court adjourned. Mr. Davis will cross-examine the last witness this morning.

Hurricane Works Devastation

Vessels Wrecked and Fifty Lost on the Shores of New Britain.

Miners Burned in Colliery Fire—Escaped from New Caledonia.

News was received from New Britain by the steamer Aorangi of a hurricane, which, for severity, was unparalleled in the history of the island since the advent of the white settlers, 25 years ago. The hurricane, which raged for three days, December 7, 8 and 9, left in its wake scenes of death and desolation. On the morning of the 6th heavy squalls passed over the island from the northwest, and by the afternoon the wind was blowing a gale, bringing with it a heavy ocean swell. The wind continued until the night of the 17th, when it increased to a hurricane, and there was a tremendous sea running. It was on this afternoon that the most damage was done at Herbertshohe, the white settlement, where the seas ran in with an irresistable force, carrying everything before them, and by night, the beach was strewn with boats, launches, lighters and wreckage of every description. Cable after cable gave way, and the craft moored in the harbor, one after another, were dashed on the beach. Steamer Stettin, which has just arrived, was in danger of going ashore and this N. D. L. liner, together with the government steamer Stephen and the steam yacht Kingfisher, of the Sacred Heart Mission, broke from her moorings and was dashed ashore, her bottom being at once knocked out, and in less than an hour she was a complete wreck. Soon afterwards the government wharf was washed away, and with the wreckage of innumerable boats thrown high on the beach. Several large lighters piled up against the Forsyth Company wharf, and all were a mass of kindling wood in no time. On the 8th, the stone breakwater surrounding the wharves of the New Guinea Company was totally beaten down and the boats inside wrecked, the damage being estimated at a hundred thousand marks. A number of natives were drowned, others had limbs broken and many were otherwise injured. On shore the ravages of the storm were also great. Miles of banana plantations were wrecked and great privation will be caused on this account among the natives.

News of a colliery fire, as a result of which five men were burned to death, is brought by the Aorangi. The accident occurred at Greta mines, large N. S. W. collieries. Explosions like reports of cannon were heard on December 23, and the engineman, smelling fire, notified the manager, who descended the mine alone, and found a mass of flame and smoke. There were five men at work, and he hurried for assistance. Within two hours rescue parties were at work, under the direction of the State Inspector of Mines. They were, however, unable to penetrate to where the men were working, being repeatedly driven back, almost overcome. All night parties relieved each other, taking steps to block the fire. Next day the mine managers held a consultation, and it being considered impossible to do anything more towards rescuing the entombed men, they ordered the mine sealed down, that being the only way to combat the fire. The scene at the sealing of the pit was a terrible one, wives, families and relatives of the lost men, hysterically striving to prevent the closing of the mine. The dead are: Edwin Buck, George Fuller, John and Frederick Crowle, miners; and James Hyslop, wheeler. Two are married, one having a grown-up family.

The finding of a black-painted cutter at Seaforth islands, on the west coast of Australia, by the police authorities, riding at anchor off the islands, and apparently deserted, led to the discovery late last month, of the escape of a number of prisoners from the French penal settlement at New Caledonia. From a note left by one of the escapees in a cabin of the cutter, it was found that having safely reached shore, they had abandoned the vessel, which had been stolen from her anchorage near their prison when they made their escape.

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